

## **Protecting Archaeological Reserves from forest fires**

During the dry season in Belize the occurrence of forest fires, at or nearby the Archaeological Reserves (all of them have extensive forest cover) in normal circumstances is difficult to contain and to minimize. During the COVID 19 environment the normal assistance that the Institute of Archaeology, NICH receives from Locals, NGO's, Fire Department and other organizations that can assist has declined drastically because the country is under mandatory curfew. Discussions with Forestry Department are underway to strategize on how best to address the situation.

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