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Siskiyou County Burn Permit Suspension Lifted

Yreka, CA – Effective October 14, 2023, at 06:00 A.M the burn permit suspension in Siskiyou County will be lifted.

CAL FIRE Siskiyou Unit Chief Darryl Laws is formally cancelling the burn permit suspension and advises that those possessing current and valid agriculture and residential burn permits can now resume burning on permissible burn days. **Agriculture burns and piles larger than 4 ft. by 4 ft. must be inspected by CAL FIRE prior to burning.**

CAL FIRE burn permits are required until the end of fire season. Cooler temperatures, higher humidity's and fall weather have helped to begin to diminish the threat of wildfire. Property owners and residents are asked to use caution while conducting debris or agriculture burns, follow all guidelines provided, and always maintain control of the fire. Individuals may be held civilly and/or criminally liable for allowing a fire to escape their control and/or burn the property of another.

Residents wishing to burn MUST verify it is a permissive burn day prior to burning. This can be verified by contacting Siskiyou County Air Pollution Control District at (530) 842-8123.

Pile Burning Requirements

- Only dry, natural vegetative material such as leaves, pine needles and tree trimmings may be burned.
- The burning of trash, painted wood or other debris is not allowed.
- Do **NOT** burn on windy days.
- Piles should be no larger than 4 ft. in diameter and 4 ft. in height.
- Clear a 10-foot diameter down to bare soil around your piles.
- Have a shovel and a water source readily available.
- An adult is required to be in attendance of the fire at all times.

Residents that live in the State Responsibility Area (SRA) must have a valid Residential Burn Permit which can be obtained on-line from the CAL FIRE Burn Permit website located at <https://burnpermit.fire.ca.gov>.

Safe residential pile burning of forest residue by landowners is a crucial tool in reducing fire hazards. State, Federal and Local land management and fire agencies will also be utilizing this same window of opportunity to conduct prescribed burns aimed at improving forest health and resiliency on private and public lands.

Contact your local CAL FIRE station with any questions and for more information on burning, visit the CAL FIRE website at www.fire.ca.gov.

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