

## Butte County Air Quality Management District Open Burning Requirements

Open Burning Category	Burning Allowed ?	Method <sup>1</sup>	District Rule	District Permit Req'd?	District Rule
<b>Residential/Dooryard</b> (single and two-family dwellings).	Yes	Piles	300, sec.2.1	No	300, Sec.3.1.1
<b>Multi-unit dwellings</b> for compliance with local fire ordinances.	Yes	Piles	300, sec. 2.9	No	300, sec. 3.1.2
<b>Commercial Entities</b> burning around office, shop and equip. only	Yes	Piles	300, sec. 2.9	No	300, sec. 3.1.2
<b>Land clearing (commercial)</b> for the purpose of development and future sale.	Yes	Piles	300, sec. 2.4	Yes	300, sec. 3.1
<b>Land clearing (non-commercial)</b> as authorized by the local fire agency.	Yes	Piles	300, sec. 2.4	No	300, sec. 3.1.2
<b>Fire hazard reduction</b> burning as authorized by the local fire agency.	Yes	Piles	300, sec. 2.5.1	No	300, sec. 3.1.2
<b>Right-of-way, Levee, Reservoir, Ditches</b> (by public entity or utility)	Yes	Piles	300, sec. 2.3	Yes	300, sec. 3.1
<b>Employee Instruction: Public</b>	Yes	Varies	300, sec. 2.5.2	No	300,sec. 3.1.2
<b>Employee Instruction: Industrial</b>	Yes	Varies	300, sec. 2.6	Yes	300,sec. 3.1
<b>Agricultural</b> <sup>2</sup> (includes growing crops, raising fowl or animals, range improvement, wildland vegetation management)	Yes	Piles or open field crop waste	300, sec. 2.2	Yes <sup>3,4</sup>	300,sec. 3.1
<b>Agricultural/Residential</b> -growing crops, raising fowl or animals <b>not</b> intended for resale	Yes	Piles	300,sec 2.2	No	300,sec 3.1
<b>Timber harvesting operations</b> - slash residue	Yes	Piles or Broadcast burn	300, sec. 2.2	Yes <sup>4</sup>	300, sec. 3.1
<b>Prescribed burning</b>	Yes	Piles or Broadcast burn	300, sec. 2.2, 2.8	Yes <sup>4</sup>	300, sec. 3.1
<b>Residential Cooking and Recreational Fire</b>	Yes	Small pile	300, sec. 2.10	No	300, sec. 5.4

- Notes:
1. "Method" indicates the usual means of accomplishing the burn, usually as required by local fire agency.
  2. Agricultural burning means open outdoor fires used in agricultural operations in the management, range improvement, or the improvement of land for wildlife and game habitat or disease or pest prevention or the use of open outdoor fires used in the operation or the maintenance of a system for the delivery of water or wildland burning or forest management burning, including silvaculture and timber operations, or prescribed burning.
  3. A burning permit is not required for the open burning in agricultural operations in the growing of crops or raising of fowl or animals, or the open burning for disease and pest prevention, at altitudes above 3,000 feet mean sea level.
  4. A burning permit is not required for the open burning at altitudes above 6,000 feet mean sea level for the purposes of wildland burning, forest management burning, silvaculture, range management, timber operations or prescribed burning.