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BURN PERMITS REQUIRED MAY 1ST, 2009

Susanville – Effective Friday May 1st, 2009 at 12:00 a.m. the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) Lassen – Modoc – Plumas Unit has announced the requirements of dooryard burn permits for residential burning within Lassen, Modoc and Plumas Counties

Burning permits are required from May 1st, 2009 to Midnight June 30th, 2009 (July 1, 2009) for all residential burning on State Responsibility Area Lands.

- Burning can only be done on permissive burn days, to find out if it is a permissive burn day, contact your local Air Pollution Control District (APCD).
 - Lassen County – (530) 251-8110
 - Modoc County – (530) 233-5522
 - Plumas County –
 - Portola: 832-4528 Quincy: 283-3602
 - Greenville: 284-6520 Chester: 258-2588
 - Vinton/Chilcoot: 994-3561
- **Midnight June 30, 2009 (July 1, 2009) – Burning Suspension will be in effect until the end of the declared Fire Season or until lifted by the Unit Chief.**
- Only natural vegetative material such as leaves, pine needles and tree trimmings may be burned
- Household garbage may NOT be burned
- Do not burn on windy days
- You cannot burn in a burn barrel unless you have received authorization/permit from your APCD

- Burning can only be done during permissive times.
 - **Burn hours for Lassen County are as follows:**
 - May 1, 2009 through May 31, 2009 - Open Hours
 - June 1, 2009 through June 30, 2009 - 5 a.m. to 12 p.m.
 - **Burn hours for Modoc County are as follows:**
 - May 1, 2009 through May 31, 2009 – Open Hours
 - June 1, 2009 through June 30, 2009 – 7 p.m. to 10 a.m.
 - **Burn hours for Plumas County are as follows:**
 - May 1, 2009 through May 31, 2009 – Open Hours
 - June 1, 2009 through June 30, 2009 – 5 a.m. to 11 a.m.
- You must have a signed permit in your possession while you are burning and you are responsible for maintaining control of your fire at all times. (Beginning May 1, 2009)
- Possession of a permit does not protect you if your burn escapes. You are still liable for any suppression costs
- If a burn escapes your control, you are highly encouraged to seek help immediately. Wild fires can spread very quickly. A fast response from the fire department can reduce suppression cost considerably. Remember, you may be billed for suppression costs, so the sooner you seek help the better the outcome may be
- Simple common sense can greatly reduce the chance of an escape. If you don't feel it's safe to conduct a burn, then don't burn.

For more information on burn permit requirements, contact your local fire department or visit our websites at www.cdflmu.org or www.fire.ca.gov.

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