



## **CAL FIRE** Butte Unit

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# NEWS RELEASE

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### ***Burn Permits Required May 1st***

**Butte County** – Residents of the unincorporated areas of Butte County and served by CAL FIRE/Butte County Fire Department will be required to have a burn permit beginning **Sunday, May 1st** if they wish to burn dooryard debris. Burn permits are available at no charge from all CAL FIRE/Butte County Fire stations.

As always, citizens using fire should do so safely. The following are guidelines that must be followed in order to burn safely and legally:

- ✓ Burn Hours are 6:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. – out cold at 11:00 a.m.
- ✓ Only small piles (4' x 4') of vegetative waste may be burned.
- ✓ Burn barrels are no longer allowed.
- ✓ Before burning in Butte County, you **MUST** call the Butte County Air Quality Management District at **332-9407** or at [www.bcaqmd.org](http://www.bcaqmd.org) to determine air quality burn day status.
- ✓ Provide a 10' area free of flammable materials and vegetation around all burn piles and incinerators.
- ✓ Have a water source available and an adult in attendance.
- ✓ Pay attention to weather conditions and forecasts.
- ✓ Do not burn on windy days.
- ✓ Do not leave smoldering fires unattended.
- ✓ Make sure that the fire is dead out when the control burn is completed.
- ✓ Residents must have their copy of the valid permit accessible when burning.
- ✓ Go to [www.readyforwildfire.org](http://www.readyforwildfire.org) for more information on preparing for wildfire.

Remember, persons burning are responsible to maintain control of their fire. If a fire escapes your control, you may be held criminally and civilly responsible for all costs associated with the suppression of the fire and the damage that it caused. If you need further information about safe burning, please stop by your local fire station or contact the CAL FIRE/Butte County Fire Rescue Fire Prevention Bureau at (530) 538-7888

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