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Lassen-Modoc Unit

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BURN PERMITS REQUIRED MAY 1ST, 2017

Susanville – Effective Monday, May 1st, 2017 the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) Lassen – Modoc Unit will require dooryard burning permits for residential burning within Lassen, Modoc and Plumas Counties

Burning permits are required from May 1st, 2017 to midnight June 30th, 2017 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) 257-2876 or 257-BURN
 - Modoc County – (530) 233-6401 or (530) 640-2900
 - Plumas County –
 - Portola: (530) 832-4528 Quincy: (530) 283-3602
 - Greenville: (530) 284-6520 Chester: (530) 258-2588
- **The Unit Chief will implement a burn ban when weather conditions warrant, but no later than June 30th, 2017**
- 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 from your APCD

- Burning can only be done during permissive times.
 - **Burn hours for Lassen County are as follows:**
 - May 1, 2017 through May 31, 2017 - Open Hours
 - June 1, 2017 through June 30, 2017 - 5 a.m. to Noon
 - **Burn hours for Modoc County are as follows:**
 - May 1, 2017 through May 31, 2017 – Open Hours
 - June 1, 2017 through June 30, 2017 – 7 p.m. to 10 a.m.
 - **Burn hours for Plumas County are as follows:**
 - May 1, 2017 through May 31, 2017 – Open Hours
 - June 1, 2017 through June 30, 2017 – 5 a.m. to Noon

- 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.
- 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, call 911 immediately. Wildfires 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!

Changing conditions may necessitate an early burn suspension. Please keep informed about burn restrictions by visiting our website at www.fire.ca.gov/lmu under “Hot Topics”. For more tips on preparing for fire season, visit www.readyforwildfire.com.

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