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BURN HOUR RESTRICTIONS LIFTED

San Andreas – Effective 8:00 AM, Friday, October 22, 2010, the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) announces burn hours will not be restricted on permissive burn days on private lands within the Tuolumne-Calaveras Unit. This includes the counties of Calaveras, Tuolumne, and those eastern portions of San Joaquin and Stanislaus that are within the State Responsibility Area. Lifting the burn hour restrictions also applies to lands within the Direct Protection Area (DPA) of the Stanislaus National Forest.

Burn permits are required. Tuolumne-Calaveras Unit Chief Mike Noonan adds “Conditions will continue to be monitored and restrictions or suspension will go back into place if conditions warrant. Open hours burning on permissive burn days allows home owners to burn debris created by working on 100 feet of defensible space.”

Even with the cooler weather and forecasted rain a fire can still escape. It is critical that the person conducting the burn keep close watch on the fire at all times. If the fire gets away, that person can be held liable for the damage and suppression costs.

It is the landowner’s responsibility to check with the local Air Pollution Control District for permissive days by calling the local APCD office. Pre-recorded information for each county is available at the following phone numbers:

APCD – Calaveras County (209) 754-6600

APCD – Tuolumne County (209) 533-5598

San Joaquin – 1-877-429-2876

Stanislaus NF--DPA Burn Day Information (209) 532-5601

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