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Backyard Burning Season Start Date Delayed

At the request of the Central Lane Fire Defense Board (LCFDB), the backyard burning season start date has been postponed until November 1. LCDFB, under the advisement of the Oregon Department of Forestry Eastern and Western Lane Divisions, has determined continued dry weather conditions and higher than usual fire danger for this time of year are not conducive to safe open burning.

“The Lane Regional Air Protection Agency works cooperatively with local fire departments and will prohibit backyard burning until further notification by the fire defense board that the fire danger has subsided,” said Sally Markos, of LRAPA.

Once open burning season opens, Willamette Valley residents should always call LRAPA’s open burning line, 726-3976, before burning to verify that burning is allowed on any given day. Coastal Lane County residents can call 997-1757 for daily outdoor burning advisories. LRAPA also recommends residents call their local fire departments for information regarding restrictions on burning in their areas before they burn. Detailed information about open burning can be found at www.lrapa.org.

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