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Dry Conditions Delay Outdoor Burning Season

At the request of the Lane Fire Defense Board, the outdoor burning season has been postponed until weather conditions change. Recent hot weather has caused dry conditions, increasing fire danger throughout the county and making it unsafe to burn. Residents are cautioned to check with their fire districts and LRAPA for further delays. Recently, LRAPA rule changes moved the official start date of the outdoor burning season from October 15th to October 1st, unless delayed by extended fire season conditions.

“LRAPA works cooperatively with local fire departments and will prohibit outdoor burning until further notification by the fire defense board that conditions have changed,” said Sally Markos, LRAPA spokesperson.

Once outdoor burning season begins, Willamette Valley residents should always call LRAPA’s outdoor burning line, 541-726-3976, before burning to verify that burning is allowed on any given day. Coastal Lane County residents can call 541-997-1757 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 outdoor burning can be found at www.lrapa.org.

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