

Compliance Assistance Advisory

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Subject: Agricultural Burn Program - Reminder on Prohibited Burn Materials

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Important Reminder for Agricultural Burn Permit Holders

This is an important reminder about your Agricultural Burn Permit and the material you are allowed to burn. Your permit is strictly for burning agricultural waste produced solely from agricultural activities, such as field crop residue, pruning piles, rice stubble, and grass and weeds from fields used for cultivation. It is imperative that all materials are free from non-agricultural items before burning.

It is illegal to burn any of the following prohibited materials:

- Plastic
- Drip irrigation equipment
- Rubber and synthetic rubber materials (e.g., tires)
- Landscaping vegetation
- Garbage and rubbish
- Shop waste, construction, and demolition materials
- All types of metal, including wiring, fencing, and stakes.
- Treated wood (e.g., pallets, painted or pressurized wood)

Burning these prohibited items releases harmful fumes, which can pose serious health risks to anyone exposed, such as you, your employees, and nearby communities. Additionally, burning any of these materials is a violation of your burn permit and will result in penalties.

For a full list of prohibited burn materials, please refer to condition #6 in your Agricultural Burn Permit. You can also read the complete Sac Metro Air District Rule 501 Agricultural Burn by visiting www.AirQuality.org.

If you have questions about your permit or the Sac Metro Air District Agricultural Burn Program, please contact us at burning@airquality.org, call 279-972-BURN(2876), or visit www.AirQuality.org/Residents/Outdoor-Burning.

Thank you for helping to protect air quality and ensuring a healthy environment for everyone.

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