

# CAL FIRE NEWS RELEASE

California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection



## Tuolumne-Calaveras Unit

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### **Burn Permits Required May 1<sup>st</sup>**

**San Andreas** – Sunday, May 1, 2016, at 8:00 a.m. the Tuolumne-Calaveras Unit of the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) will require burning permits within State Responsibility Areas of Tuolumne County, Calaveras County, Eastern Stanislaus County and Eastern San Joaquin County. **Burn hours vary; contact the Air Pollution Control District (APCD) for hours.**

Until CAL FIRE stations are fully staffed, permits will be available only during business hours Monday through Friday, at the following locations:

- **CAL FIRE Headquarters**, 785 Mountain Ranch Road, San Andreas (**closed from noon to 1 p.m.**)
- **Valley Springs FFS**, 1855 New Hogan Parkway, Valley Springs
- **Altaville FFS**, 125 North Main St, Altaville
- **Esperanza FFS**, 9740 Mountain Ranch Road, Mountain Ranch
- **West Point FFS**, 22670 Highway 26, West Point
- **Arnold FFS**, 2517 Highway 4, Arnold
- **Standard FFS**, 18464 Striker Court, Sonora
- **Twain Harte FFS**, 22978 Meadow Drive, Twain Harte
- **Station 76**, 18249 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Jamestown
- **Station 51**, 1950 Hillsdale Drive, Mono Village, Sonora
- **Blanchard FFS**, 2990 Highway 132, La Grange
- **Green Springs**, 11600 La Grange Road, Jamestown
- **Groveland FFS**, 11700 Merrell Rd, Groveland
- **Groveland CSD**, 18930 Highway 120, Groveland

Please remember personnel may be away from the station for extended periods of time when they are responding to emergencies.

Burn permit terms include limiting pile size to a maximum of four feet by four feet (four feet in diameter, and four feet high) and clearing down to bare mineral soil 10 feet from the outer edges of burn piles. Outdoor burning may be done **ONLY** on permissive burn days. Remember burn day status is determined on the basis of air quality: how quickly smoke will disperse. Therefore, many permissible burn days are very windy. Never burn when it's windy, even if it is a permissible burn day. Remain in attendance of your burn project and have tools and water close by in order to suppress any escape from your burning operation.

**Wildfire is coming. Are you ready?** Unit Chief Josh White reminds everyone, "Getting your property **ready** for the coming fire season by creating and maintaining 100 feet of defensible

space around all structures is an excellent way to protect not only your home, but your neighborhood and community as well.”

It is your responsibility to check burn day status by calling your local Air Pollution Control District with jurisdiction over your area.

**Calaveras County: (209) 754-6600**

**Tuolumne County: (209) 533-5598**

**San Joaquin and Stanislaus Counties: (877) 429-2876**

For more information on creating defensible space zones visit: [www.fire.ca.gov](http://www.fire.ca.gov) or [www.readyforwildfire.org](http://www.readyforwildfire.org)

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