

FEATHER RIVER AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

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SUTTER/YUBA COUNTY AGRICULTURAL BURNING RULES & REGULATIONS

BURNING PAPER CHEMICAL SACKS PERMIT CONDITIONS

- “Paper Chemical Sacks” are containers that are predominately composed of paper and used to contain pesticides, herbicides, fungicides, fertilizer, or other toxic chemicals associated with the growing and harvesting of crops.
- Paper chemical sacks do not include outer cardboard boxes or plastic jugs.
- Burning shall be conducted at the site of the application or emptying and downwind from any person or susceptible crops.
- Only one day’s accumulation of empty paper chemical sacks can be burned the same day they are emptied (unless prior approval is granted by the Air Pollution Control Officer).
- Burning on a California Air Resources Board designated No-Burn Day may be allowed upon receiving permission from the Air Pollution Control Officer.
- Burner will contact District (530) 634-7659, extension 201, prior to burning sacks.
- The burner and anyone working in close proximity must stand upwind of the burn site to avoid breathing the smoke and wear eye protection and respiratory protective equipment rated for protection against the particular type of material being burned, as well as airborne particulates.
- Select a burn location that will minimize the amount of smoke blowing over areas where there are people or domestic animals.
- Place a rock, brick, or similar non-combustible, non-toxic weight on top of the stack of bags to be burned.
- Light the bottom-most bag first, using an approved ignition device.
- Burner must remain on site until burning is completed and the fire is extinguished.
- No prohibited materials in burn pile.
- The burn site may be inspected at any time by District Staff.
- This permit, or a legible copy, shall be available for District inspections at the burn site during burning operations.
- This permit may be revoked or suspended for alleged violations of permit conditions or when necessary for public health and safety.