Agricultural Burn Permit Application

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name of Applicant: ________________________________________________
Title: __________________________________________________________
Farm Entity: __________________________________________________
Responsible Party (if different from applicant): __________________________

CONTACT INFORMATION

Mailing Address: __________________________________________________
Telephone: ______________________________________________________
Email: __________________________________________________________

FIRE DISTRICT(S)

Select Fire District(s):
☐ Arbuckle
☐ Maxwell
☐ Princeton
☐ Sacramento River
☐ Williams

TYPE OF BURNING

Type of burning(s):
☐ Burn stubble field/spot burning
☐ Burn orchard pruning’s
☐ Burn orchard removal
☐ Burn small parcels or strips for hazard reduction
☐ Burn small plots of grass, weeds, tumbleweeds or tules
☐ Burn brush/leaves in small piles
☐ Burn ditch banks, levees, roads, fence lines
☐ Burn flood debris
☐ Burn pesticide paper bags and cardboard boxes

PESTICIDE PERMIT NUMBER (IF APPLICABLE)

Colusa County Agricultural Pesticide Permit Number: ____________________

Continued on next page
Note: Site identifications and locations for the Agricultural Burn Permit will correspond to those listed on the Pesticide Permit when applicable.

Burn Permits will be required for each Farming Entity.

The above statements and information provided are true to the best of my knowledge. I understand the permission to burn does not excuse the Permittee from liability in the event the fire creates a nuisance or hazard.

I own or legally control the above-described land and by signing this Agricultural Burn Permit Application I agree to comply with all fire and air pollution laws, ordinances, regulations, permit conditions and terms of the Burn Permit when issued.

Signature of Applicant ______________________________________ Date_________________________

Burn permits will be issued when the completed burn permit application has been submitted and administrative fees have been remitted to the Air Pollution Control District.

BURN PERMIT CONDITIONS ATTACHED
BURN PERMIT CONDITIONS:

1. This permit is valid only on those days which are not prohibited by the California Air Resources Board pursuant to section 41835 of California the Health & Safety Code.

2. ON ANY DAY THAT BURNING IS TO BE DONE, THE FIRE DISTRICT MUST BE NOTIFIED BEFORE IGNITION AND THE BURNING IS TO BE CONDUCTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CONDITIONS SPECIFIED BELOW.

3. No burning shall be undertaken unless weather conditions (particularly the wind) are such that they can reasonably considered safe.

4. This permit is suspended at all times of critical fire conditions as declared by the Fire Chief and posted at the station. Or by proclamation of the Governor. Such suspension does not extend the prescribed dates for burning.

5. The burning operation authorized by the permit shall be: (a) Attended by at least one able-bodied adult person at all times; (B) Confined within clear fire-breaks or barriers of thirty (30) feet to prevent it from escaping control; (C) Regulated in size at all times to insure proper control by the number of persons attending it; (D) Road control shall be provided at all times.

6. This permit does not relieve The Permittee of any duty to use reasonable and ordinary care to prevent damage to the property of others or injury to persons as prescribed by law.

7. The agricultural biomass waste to be burned, shall be free of prohibited materials, including but not limited to: petroleum products, demolition debris, tires, tar, metal salvage, wet garbage, dead animals, parts of animals, materials containing prohibited materials or materials that produce offensive odors when burned.

8. The “Right of Entry” as delineated by the California Health and Safety Code 41510 of Division 26, shall apply at all times.

9. In accordance with Section 41700 of the California Health and Safety Code a person shall not discharge from any source whatsoever quantities of air contaminants or other material that cause injury, detriment, nuisance, or annoyance to any considerable number of persons or to the public, or that endanger the comfort, repose, health, or safety of any of those persons or the public, or that cause, or have a natural tendency to cause, injury or damage to business or property.

10. Agricultural burns in the State Responsibility Area (SRA) will also require burn permits issued by Cal Fire.

11. This burn permit may be revoked, suspended or terminated for violation of Air District or State Regulation, any condition specified here or when determined necessary for public safety by the Air Pollution Control Officer or their designee.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS:

(1) All fires within 1000 feet of occupied structures shall be completely extinguished by the designated hour below.
(2) Only natural vegetation may be burned in non-exempt residential, commercial, agricultural or industrial areas unless otherwise specified.
Any person who violates the provisions of the Rules and Regulations is guilty of a misdemeanor and is punishable by imprisonment in the County Jail not exceeding six months or by a fine of five hundred dollars ($500), or both, and the cost of putting out the fire.

The following fees shall be submitted to the Colusa County Air Pollution Control District when conducting any open burning or burning of agricultural crop waste. These fees shall apply to all persons, including any grower entity, government agency, or public district, conducting any open burning or burning of agricultural crop waste, or who transfer, sell or trade their annual allowable burn acres.

**AGRICULTURAL FEES:**
A $15.48 administrative fee and the Sacramento Valley Basin wide Air Pollution Control Council fee of $5.00 per permit.

A per acre fee as follows:

- **Field Crops other than rice:**
  - $3.35 per acre burned
  - $2.02 per acre burned - field was harvested and baled*
  - $1.00 per acre burned - field was harvested, swathed and baled *

- **Orchard Pruning:**
  - $1.34 per acre burned of which the pruning originated

- **Other open burning:**
  - $3.35 per acre burned

- **Rice Straw Burning:**
  - $4.33 per acre burned
  - $2.34 per acre burned - field was harvested and baled *
  - $1.33 per acre burned - field was harvested, swathed and baled *

* Fees are contingent on District verification

Other open burning under five acres per year shall be exempt from the above fees. Other open burning shall include, but not be limited to, rangeland improvement burning, forest management burning, wildland vegetation management burning, roadside vegetative burning, levee vegetative burning, and wetlands, refuge and other similar habitat improvement burning.

1. Residential burning under two acres shall be exempt from the above fees.
2. Federal, state and local government agencies or public districts shall pay the above fees to the extent allowed under Chapter 2, Division 7, Title 1 of the Government Code (commencing with Section 6100) and Sections 42311 et seq. of Division 26 of the California Health and Safety Code.
3. For the purpose of this rule, a grower entity shall be the grower and the related fields as listed on a restricted materials permit as issued by the county agricultural commissioner.
4. Authorization shall be received from the Colusa County Air Pollution Control District prior to conducting the burn.