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Open Burning Seasons for Crop Replacement, Forest Management, Range Management, and Orchard Pruning Ends on April 30th

The Bay Area Air Quality Management District's (Air District) spring permissive burn season for crop replacement, forest management, range management, and orchard pruning officially ends on Saturday, April 30.

Crop replacement, forest management, range management and orchard pruning fires can only take place on a burn day as determined by the Air District. Air District meteorologists forecast Burn/No Burn days by 3 PM for the following day. The information is recorded on the Air District's toll-free number – 1 800 HELP-AIR (1 800 435-7247). The Air District's open burning regulation (Regulation 5) can be downloaded at www.baaqmd.gov. Follow the link to "regulations."

For additional information regarding open burning in the Air District, please call Janet Simon, Air Quality Specialist, at (415) 749-4780.