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Marsh Burning Season Extended Until April 30th

The Bay Area Air Quality Management District has extended the spring permissive burn period for marsh management fires in the Suisun Marsh, Solano County, until April 30th. The burn period was scheduled to end on March 31 under Regulation 5, Subsection 401.13.

With the new federal PM2.5 standard in place, the month of February offered few burning opportunities during the Spare the Air Tonight season. The Air District's decision to extend the season will give property owners more chances to burn in order to improve wildlife habitat.

Marsh management 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 about marsh burning requirements in the air district, please call Janet Simon, Air Quality Specialist, at (415) 749-4780.