



NEWS RELEASE

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Increased burn restrictions in parts of Northwestern Washington July 13 In Snohomish, Island, Skagit, Whatcom, and San Juan Counties

OLYMPIA – The Washington State Department of Natural Resources (DNR), in cooperation with partnering agencies, is implementing the following changes in burn restrictions on DNR-protected lands. Check with local jurisdictions for additional restrictions.

Effective 12:01 a.m. July 13, 2018:

- Rule burning (small debris disposal fires normally allowed when following specific rules) are not allowed in Snohomish, Island, Skagit, Whatcom, and San Juan counties.
- Written burn permit burning also will no longer be allowed in Snohomish, Island, Skagit, Whatcom, and San Juan counties.

Campfires may be allowed in approved designated campgrounds. Always check with local campground hosts before lighting a campfire.

Daily updates on burn restrictions and Industrial Fire Precaution Levels are available at 1-800-323-BURN or on the Fire Danger and Outdoor Burning risk map at www.dnr.wa.gov/burn-restrictions and Industrial Fire Precaution Levels map www.dnr.wa.gov/IFPL.

DNR is administered by Commissioner of Public Lands Hilary Franz, who, in addition to abiding by burn restrictions, is encouraging all Washingtonians to be cautious this summer to help reduce human-caused wildfires. See more in this [public service announcement](#).

DNR leadership and wildfire mission

The Commissioner of Public Lands Hilary Franz and DNR are responsible for preventing and fighting wildfires on 13 million acres of private, state and tribal-owned forestlands. DNR is the state's largest wildland fire department, with more than 1,000 employees trained and available to be dispatched to fires as needed. During fire season, this includes more than 800 DNR employees who have other permanent jobs with the agency and about 550 seasonal employees hired for firefighting duties.

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