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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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WEST COUNTY BURN BAN EXPANDED

Effective Immediately

Recreational fires will be banned until further notice

Due to current moisture levels, continued hot and dry weather conditions and other fire related factors, the Skamania County Fire Marshal is issuing a ban on all open burning, including recreational fires, effective immediately.

All open burning on private lands within West Skamania County is PROHIBITED, including recreational fires, until further notice.

Recreational fires on State and Federal lands are not regulated by Skamania County. Please call before you burn: 1-800-323-BURN or visit burnportal.dnr.wa.gov for State lands burning information and <https://www.fs.usda.gov/main/giffordpinchot/fire> for Federal lands burning information.

Making smart, informed decisions and burning responsibly is the best way to prevent wildfires. For burn ban updates and burning information please check all available resources including:

- ❖ [Skamania County Fire Marshal](#)
- ❖ [Washington State Department of Natural Resources](#)
- ❖ [Gifford Pinchot National Forest](#)
- ❖ [Washington State Department of Ecology](#)
- ❖ [Columbia Gorge National Scenic Area](#)

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Arnold Bell".

Arnold Bell
Skamania County Fire Marshal