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**FIRE DANGER LEVEL CHANGED TO LOW
LAND CLEARING AND DEBRIS BURNING ALLOWED AS OF OCTOBER 15, 2025**

On June 15, 2025, the Jefferson County Fire Marshal, after consultation with the Jefferson County Fire Chiefs, declared that all recreational burning is banned throughout all of Jefferson County. This declaration was to be in effect until atmospheric and field conditions had lowered to an acceptable level for a length of time so that the threat subsided. After consulting with the Jefferson County Fire Chiefs, the Jefferson County Fire Marshal had determined that the threat has subsided after atmospheric and field conditions lower to an acceptable level. Accordingly, the Jefferson County Fire Marshal has canceled the prohibition on recreational fires throughout the county, effective September 30. This allows the use of campfires and charcoal cooking, in addition to gas or propane fueled appliances and wood or solid fuel (wood) appliances with an enclosed flame.

Recreational fires are defined as, "An outdoor fire burning materials other than rubbish where the fuel being burned is not contained in an incinerator, outdoor fireplace, portable outdoor fireplace, barbeque grill or barbeque pit and has a total fuel area of 3 feet (914 mm) or less in diameter and 2 feet (610 mm) or less in height for pleasure, religious, ceremonial cooking, warmth or similar purposes."

Those fire districts within Jefferson County charged with issuance of state ORCAA burn permits will be considering local weather and atmospheric conditions prior to issuing burn permits. Please check with your local fire district prior to burning.

As a reminder: Land clearing or yard debris fires are limited to 10'x10'. Please burn responsibly, work to reduce smoke, observe safe distances to structures, maintain defensible space, and attend your fires. To review all of the Jefferson County burn regulations, visit:

codepublishing.com/WA/JeffersonCounty/#!/JeffersonCounty08/JeffersonCounty0872.html#8.72.030

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Phil Cecere,
Jefferson County Fire Marshal

Mission Statement

To preserve and enhance the quality of life in Jefferson County by promoting a vibrant economy, sound communities and a healthy environment.