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CAL FIRE BURN PERMITS REQUIRED MAY 1, 2015

FORTUNA – The California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) Humboldt - Del Norte Unit would like to remind residents a CAL FIRE burn permit (LE-5) is now required for Non-Standard burn permit holders beginning May 1, 2015.

Humboldt – Del Norte Unit Chief Hugh Scanlon wants to emphasize to the public the importance of following all burning regulations and ensuring controlled burns do not escape and become wildland fires. Chief Scanlon says “the public living in wildland areas should prepare for increased wildfire activity this year due to the drier than normal conditions in California.” The current fuel conditions and potential for increased fire activity will likely result in an earlier burn suspension. Residents are encouraged to conduct their burning early. Follow our local CAL FIRE activity on Twitter at #CALFIRE_HUU or at www.calfirehuu.org.

To obtain the required CAL FIRE burn permit, contact the nearest CAL FIRE office for an application. LE-5 permit applications may require an on-site visit by CAL FIRE personnel to determine if specific precautions need to be included in the permit to conduct a safe burn. Burn permits are required year round by the North Coast Unified Air Quality Management District (NCUAQMD). NCUAQMD burn permits can be obtained on-line at ncuaqmd.org, in-person at 707 L Street, Eureka M-F 9 to Noon & 1-4, or by calling (707) 443-3093.

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