



Press Release

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The Oregon Department of Forestry (ODF) and all the fire districts in Hood River and Wasco County have issued a burn ban beginning 12:01 AM on Sunday, June 11. This is to ensure the safety of Wasco County residents and to prevent dangerous wildfires from occurring.

Fire safety is of the utmost importance in Wasco County, as wildfires can cause significant damage to property and threaten the health and safety of our community. This burn ban will help protect our region from the dangers of uncontrolled fires, and we urge all county residents to abide by these regulations.

During this time, all residential burning is prohibited in Wasco County, including burn piles and burn barrels. Residents are encouraged to use other methods of disposal for yard debris such as composting or chipping and remain cautious if you decide to have a campfire, conduct an agricultural burn or use fireworks.

We thank everyone for their cooperation in keeping our community safe and fire-free. For additional information on ODF's Central Oregon District, including contact information and unit offices, please visit www.ODFcentraloregon.com.

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