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## **Press Release**

### **For Immediate Release**

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Leon W. Smith, Clallam County Fire Marshal, is announcing that a county-wide burn ban will take effect Thursday July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010. The burn ban will remain in effect until October 1, 2010, unless conditions at that time require the ban to be extended.

This burn ban is strongly supported by the Clallam County Chiefs Association. Every summer, emergency response agencies respond to a significant number of outdoor burn incidents and complaints. A majority of these responses are due to confusion with the current status of burning regulations. In order to reduce the confusion that has surrounded multiple burn bans during previous summer periods, this ban will take effect annually on July 1<sup>st</sup>, ending October 1<sup>st</sup>.

This burn ban applies to outdoor burning only. Recreational fires are still allowed unless further banned by extreme conditions. As has been the law for many years, burn barrels are illegal in the State of Washington and there is no burning allowed in the City of Port Angeles or any other designated Urban Growth Area.

There are many alternatives to outdoor burning, collection and recycling services information is provided in your local telephone directory. There is additional information on the Clallam County web-site, Clallam.net or contact your local fire district.

Thank You,

Leon W. Smith CBO  
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