NOT A VALID PERMIT TO BURN

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APPLICATION FOR BACKYARD BURNING OF GREEN WASTE

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY – ALL REQUESTED INFORMATION IS REQUIRED
INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS MAY RESULT IN DENIAL OF PERMIT

IMPORTANT: THIS IS NOT A BURN PERMIT; YOUR PERMIT WILL BE MAILED OR EMAILED TO YOU - Please note, this application form can only be accepted via postal service mail or hand delivered. Complete all sections of this application, print, sign, and mail to the Air Pollution Control District (APCD) with a **non-refundable** $50.00 permit fee to 3433 Roberto Court, San Luis Obispo, CA 93401. After payment of the fee, please allow a minimum of five (5) business days to process the burn permit, which is valid DURING CAL FIRE DECLARED BURN SEASON on PERMISSIVE BURN DAYS ONLY – the permit must be available when burning. Be advised, the APCD may revoke, suspend, or restrict permission to burn for fire prevention reasons, during adverse weather conditions, excessive smoke complaints or violation of any terms, conditions, or applicable laws or regulations.

NAME _____ PHONE _____

MAILING ADDRESS _____
address *city* *state* *zip*

ADDRESS OF BURN LOCATION _____
address *Zip* ***APN Number (Required)***

NUMBER OF GREEN WASTE PILES TO BE BURNED *(20 piles maximum – no larger than 4 ft. high and 6 ft. in diameter)* _____

LIST YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS TO HAVE YOUR PERMIT EMAILED TO YOU _____
email address

In order to obtain an APCD Permit for Backyard Burning of Green Waste, applicants MUST live outside Village or Urban Reserve Lines AND the burn location property must have an occupied residence. Backyard burning of green waste is prohibited within the Urban Reserve Lines of Arroyo Grande, Atascadero, Avila Beach, Baywood Park, Cambria, Cayucos, Grover Beach, Los Osos, Morro Bay, Nipomo, Oceano, Paso Robles, Pismo Beach, San Luis Obispo, San Miguel, Santa Margarita, Shandon, and Templeton; and within the Village Reserve Lines of Black Lake, Callendar/Garrett, Creston, Garden Farms, Heritage Ranch, Los Berros, Los Ranchos/Edna, Oak Shores, Palo Mesa, San Simeon Acres, Whitley Gardens, and Woodlands.

REGULATIONS FOR PROPER BURNING - READ EACH LINE:

(**DO NOT** use this form if your burn will be more than 20 piles of green waste - contact our office.)

1. GREEN WASTE BURNING is limited to the burning of **wood waste** from trees, vines, or bushes grown on the property. **Lawn clippings, piled leaves and piles of pine needles shall not be burned. CANNABIS WASTE MAY NOT BE BURNED.** Burning must take place on designated burn days.
2. **Burning may take place only between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. and only on permissive burn days.**
3. No burning shall take place if measurable rain has fallen in above location within five (5) days immediately prior to the day of burn.
4. All waste burned in place shall be loosely stacked, dried and free of dirt and surface moisture. ***Piles must be no larger than 4 feet in height and 6 feet in diameter*** **and attended by an adult at all times with a functioning water hose capable of extinguishing the fire.**
5. Drying times shall be strictly adhered to. No burning of vegetative materials shall take place before they have adequately dried. Drying times after cutting or uprooting are: 6 weeks for large branches, 3 weeks for prunings and small branches, and 10 days for twigs and smaller sized vegetation.
6. Piles shall be located a minimum of 50 feet from the property line of neighboring residences and a minimum of 30 feet from any structure, including wooden fences, on the same property. At least 15 feet of clearance surrounding each pile is required to prevent the fire from escaping control.
7. No green waste burn shall cause a nuisance by allowing smoke or flying ash to impact neighboring residences and property. Piles must be clean burning and smoke free.
8. Accelerants or flammable liquids shall not be used to start fires in burn piles. Commercially available starter fluid or lighter fluid is allowed.
9. FIRE SAFETY WARNING – **Escaped fires will result in a misdemeanor citation *($2,000.00 State Fire Code & CAL FIRE fine)* and/or payment of fire suppression cost.** Do not burn during windy conditions.
10. It is ILLEGAL to burn the following materials – PILES of LEAVES, GRASS CLIPPINGS, PILES of PINE NEEDLES; WOOD PRODUCTS; HOUSEHOLD RUBBISH – cloth, glass, metal, animal carcass, food, etc; RUBBER – sponge, fabric, tires, etc; TAR or CREOSOTE – impregnated paper, shingles, wood, etc; PLASTIC – containers, objects, films, floor covering, synthetic fibers, etc; HYDROCARBONS – oil, grease, solvent, paint, or items heavily coated with hydrocarbons. ***Penalty for first violation $500.00. (State Law: PRC/H&SC $2,000.00 fine.)***
11. Permission to burn will be revoked permanently if burning causes nuisance smoke and complaints.

APPLICANT'S NAME *(please print clearly)* _____ DATE: _____

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE _____ TITLE: _____

OFFICE USE ONLY

Date Received: _____ Check # _____ Cash ☐ CC Trans # _____ Receipt # _____ OIS Entry Complete ☐

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