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BACKYARD BURN SEASON SUSPENDED

San Luis Obispo County – Effective June 2, 2025, due to statewide fire conditions and fire suppression forces being heavily committed to control fires, *CAL FIRE* San Luis Obispo is declaring the end of Backyard Burn Season. All burning authorized under Backyard Burn Permits issued by the Air Pollution Control District (APCD) are now suspended.

Agricultural burners may continue to burn on permissive burn days with a valid APCD Burn Permit and CAL FIRE LE-62a or LE-5 Burn Permit.

APCD Burn Permits - https://www.slocleanair.org/rules-regulations/agriculture/burning.php CAL FIRE Burn Permits - http://burnpermit.fire.ca.gov/

Residents within State Responsibility Areas are required to maintain 100 feet of Defensible Space around all habitable structures on their property. In addition to maintaining adequate defensible space, residents are encouraged to be vigilant and avoid activities that could spark unwanted fires, such as mowing dry vegetation during warm, dry, or windy weather.

In addition, Campfires within organized campgrounds or on private property that are otherwise permitted will be allowed if the campfire is maintained in such a manner as to prevent its spread to the wildland.

For more information about the burning program, visit **SLOCleanAir.org** or contact **CAL FIRE** San Luis Obispo at **805-242-6250**

By working together to manage vegetation, reduce fire hazards, and protect air quality from potential wildfire smoke, we can help protect our community while supporting healthy ecosystems.

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