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Online Burn Permits now available for Amador, El Dorado, Sacramento and Alpine Counties

Camino – The California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) will begin making residential burn permits available online beginning Monday, February 4th, 2019 for residents living within the state responsibility area of Amador, El Dorado, Sacramento and Alpine counties.

The online application will provide a convenient alternative to obtaining a permit when for residents within these counties. Applicants will access the website at <https://burnpermit.fire.ca.gov/> watch the mandatory video which reviews burning requirements and safety tips, fill in the required fields, submit the form and a dooryard burn permit will be created. The applicant must then print the permit. Permits are valid for the calendar year in which they are issued and must be reissued annually on or after January 1st of each year. Contact your local fire department or CAL FIRE to determine what permit requirements or burning restrictions apply in your area and always call to ensure burn day status.

Amador County (209) 223-6246

El Dorado County (530) 621-5897

Sacramento County (916) 874-4800

Alpine County (760) 872-8211 ext. 240

South Lake Tahoe (530) 621-5842, (888) 332-2876

For alternatives to burning your piles, please contact the Amador Fire Safe Council at www.amadorfiresafe.org or the El Dorado County Fire Safe Council at www.edcfiresafe.org for details on their available programs.

Residents are urged to take precautions while burning outdoors to prevent sparking a wildfire. A leading cause of wildfires this time of year is from escaped landscape debris burning. Before you burn, ensure it's a permissive burn day by contacting the local air quality district and then make sure you have any and all required burn permits.

Ensure that piles from landscape debris are no larger than four feet in diameter, have a 10 ft. clearance down to bare mineral soil around the burn pile and that a responsible adult is in attendance at all times with a water source and a shovel.

For more information on how you can protect your family, home and property by creating and maintaining defensible space visit www.readyforwildfire.org.

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