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WEST COUNTY
SMALL DEBRIS BURN BAN

Effective 12:00am, June 16, 2026, all small debris burn permits will no longer be valid throughout the West End of Skamania County. Combined with the existing burn ban already in effect in the East End of the County, this action places all of Skamania County under a small debris burn ban.

In West County only, recreational fires that meet the [Skamania County Minimum Fire Pit Standards](#) will continue to be allowed on lands regulated by Skamania County. However, these fires remain subject to immediate closure as fire danger conditions worsen throughout the season.

Recreational fires on State and Federal lands are not regulated by Skamania County. Please call before you burn: 1-800-323-BURN or visit burnportal.dnr.wa.gov for State lands burning information and <https://www.fs.usda.gov/main/giffordpinchot/fire> for Federal lands burning information.

Please be sure recreational fires are completely extinguished before leaving them unattended. Making smart, informed decisions and burning responsibly is the best way to prevent wildfires.

For burn ban updates and burning information please check all available resources including:

- ❖ [Skamania County Fire Marshal](#)
- ❖ [Washington State Department of Natural Resources](#)
- ❖ [Gifford Pinchot National Forest](#)
- ❖ [Washington State Department of Ecology](#)
- ❖ [Columbia Gorge National Scenic Area](#)

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