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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

WEST COUNTY BURN BAN EXPANDED

Recreational fires will be banned until further notice

Effective August 4, 2026

Due to current moisture levels, continued hot and dry weather conditions and other fire related factors, the Skamania County Fire Marshal has expanded the west county burn ban, effective immediately.

All open burning on private lands within Skamania County, including recreational fires, is prohibited until further notice.

Recreational fires on State and Federal lands are not regulated by Skamania County.

- State Lands burning information: 1-800-323-BURN or burnportal.dnr.wa.gov
- Federal Lands burning information: [Gifford Pinchot Fire](#)

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](#)

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Arnold Bell".

Arnold Bell
Skamania County Fire Marshal