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RECREATIONAL BURNING IS NOW ALLOWED

The Jefferson County Fire Marshal, after consultation with the Jefferson County Fire Chiefs is lifting the declaration of ban on recreational fires throughout the county effective immediately. This allows the use of campfires and charcoal cooking.

Recreational fires is defined as "An outdoor fire burning materials other than rubbish where the fuel being burned is not contained in an incinerator, outdoor fireplace, portable outdoor fireplace, barbeque grill or barbeque pit and has a total fuel area of 3 feet (914 mm) or less in diameter and 2 feet (610 mm) or less in height for pleasure, religious, ceremonial cooking, warmth or similar purposes."

Please note that Resolution No. 21-23 passed By the Jefferson County Board of Commissioners on June 5, 2023 is still in effect and outdoor burning is still not allowed. "Outdoor burning" means the combustion of material of any type in an open fire or in an outdoor container without providing for the control of combustion or the control of emissions from the combustion, except for agricultural burning and silvicultural burning.

LAND CLEARING AND DEBRIS BURNING CONTINUES TO BE BANNED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

Any questions about this declaration should be submitted to Fire Marshal Phil Cecere at (360) 379-4461, or email at PCecere@co.jefferson.wa.us.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Phil Cecere".

Phil Cecere,
Jefferson County Fire Marshal
Date: 9/25/2023