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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE Burn Permit Suspension Lifted Shasta and Eastern Trinity Counties

Redding / Weaverville, CA – With recent rainfall events and cooler weather, the current suspension of burning will be lifted effective <u>Saturday, October 14, at 8:00 am</u>. Burn permits are still required pursuant to the provisions of sections 4423.1 of the Public Resources Code.

While there remains a threat of wildfires as we are still in declared fire season, current weather and vegetation conditions are conducive to safely utilize burning to reduce vegetation and create greater resilience to wildfires within communities and rural areas. CAL FIRE facilities will continue to be fully staffed until sufficient rainfall is received, allowing for the gradual reduction of fire control resources, while also prioritizing the ongoing efforts of fuel reduction initiatives. A Burn Suspension may be re-engaged in the event adverse fire weather conditions return.

CAL FIRE Shasta-Trinity Unit Chief, Sean O'Hara formally advises that those possessing current and valid agriculture and residential burn permits can now resume burning on permissible burn days. Agricultural burn permits within the SRA may require inspection by CAL FIRE for new application / renewal permits, until the end of the peak fire season declaration by CAL FIRE.

Burn permits can be obtained at your local CALFIRE Station or online at https://burnpermit.fire.ca.gov. For more information visit: www.fire.ca.gov.

<u>Residents MUST</u> verify it is a permissive burn day prior to burning by calling their local Air Pollution Control District. In the event of any forecasted wind events, you must ensure your dooryard burn pile has been extinguished and secured.

<u>In Shasta County</u>, Shasta County AQMD – 530-224-8777 or 1-800-411-8728 after 9:00 a.m. or online at

https://www.shastacounty.gov/air-quality/page/burn-day-information

<u>In Trinity County</u>, North Coast Unified Air Quality Management District (NCUAQMD) requires that all burn operations, including residential/dooryard and agriculture/hazard reduction, must obtain an AQMD burn permit prior to burning. AQMD burn permits may be obtained on-line at www.ncuaqmd.org or by calling (707) 443-3093. For burn day status, call (NCUAQMD) at (707) 443-7665 or (866) 287-6329.

In Eastern Trinity County residents conducting dooryard burning on private property do not need an additional permit from CAL FIRE. The required NCUAQMD permit will suffice.