REQUEST AND PERMIT FOR OPEN BURNING

Property Owner: ___________________________________________

Contact: ___________________ Phone: __________ Cell: ___________

Mailing Address: __________________________ Street/P.O. Box City State Zip

Physical Location of Proposed Burn: ___________________________________________

Number of Piles: ___________________ and/or ___________________ Tons/Acre

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Type of Fuel __________________________________________

Has the location been prepared to control the burn? Yes No

Distance to Adjacent Property __________________________________________

Has suitable fire protection equipment been provided? Yes No

Note: Suitable fire protection equipment means a water source capable of extinguishing the proposed fire, and appropriate hand tools to include a shovel and rake/hoe.

Does burn have the potential to impact a sensitive area? Yes No

If yes, what is the type and name of the sensitive areas identified? __________________________________________

Requirements: All burning must take place during the time period of one hour before sunrise to one hour before sunset. Winds must not take smoke over roads or toward human habitation. All burning must cease if atmospheric conditions create smoke stagnation or a dangerous condition which may spread fire. Material to be burned must be dry and the amount of dirt on the material must be minimized. No natural or synthetic rubber or petroleum products may be burned. The Fire Department must be notified at the start of the burn and upon completion. The burn MUST be attended at all times. The property owners and the individual conducting the burn will be held legally and financially accountable for any fire spread or damage resulting from the burn.

The District Fire Department and/or the County reserves the right to cancel this request at any time if the public interest warrants it. The holder of this permit is therefore cautioned and charged that and charged that he/she alone assumes full responsibility to exercise the utmost care and judgment before igniting fires. Colfax County hereby disclaims any and all liability of itself or its agents that might be incurred by the petitioner’s acts.

Signed ___________________________ Date: ______________________

Property Owner or Representative

Signed ___________________________ Date: ______________________

Authorized Fire Inspector

Valid Burn Date: ________________________
The following instructions apply to planned burns within Colfax County.

Unless burning is specifically prohibited, persons planning an open burn (other than an approved camp fire or Bar-B-Que) should obtain an "Application for Open Burning" form and comply with the instructions here and on the next page. Remember that persons burning materials of any kind at any time are responsible for damage that may result because of the burning activity. In addition, persons involved in burning activity may be responsible for costs in extinguishing a fire that is out of control or, in opinion of the Fire Department, is unsafe.

1. "Application for Open Burning" forms are available at Colfax County Managers/Commissions office, 200 North 3rd St., Raton, NM 87740. They are also available at each Fire Station in the respectful districts throughout the county.

2. Persons planning a burn should obtain the "Application for Open Burning" form at least seven days prior to their planned burning date.

3. Complete the form and return it by one of the following means:
   a. Faxing the application to the Colfax County Managers office, (575)445-2902, who will in turn contact the respectful Fire District that the proposed site falls within. A representative from the Fire District will call you and arrange for an inspection of the burn site.
   b. If you do not have access to a fax machine, applications may be handed in at the address for the County Manager’s office listed above or you may mail it in to the County Manager’s office.
   c. You may also turn in the burn application to the Fire Chief of the Fire District in which the proposed site falls within.

4. The Fire Department representative will verify that the proposed burn site has met the following conditions:
   a. Sufficient defensible space exists between the burn site and other flammable material.
   b. There exists a continuous water supply capable of extinguishing the fire.
   c. Minimum hand tools are on hand, including a shovel and rake/hoe.

5. Before igniting the fire, call the Fire Department Dispatch office in Raton at (575)445-2704 or in the Moreno Valley, Red River at (575) 754-2333. Inform the dispatcher of your intentions. They will have a copy of your burn application on file.

6. You are responsible for exercising reasonable judgment in determining that conditions are safe before beginning any burn. Remember that if in the opinion of the Fire Department your burn is unsafe for any reason, or if your burn causes damage to any other person’s property, you may be liable for damages and costs associated with extinguishing the fire.
7. Once burning is underway, remember that at least one responsible person must be in attendance at all times. If you leave the fire for any reason, put it out. If the Fire Department observes your fire without someone in attendance, or without proper tools and preparations, they will put it out for you. You may be responsible for the costs of this service.

8. Please be aware that a burn ordinance is now in effect in Colfax County. Persons who violate provisions of this ordinance may be cited.