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BURN BAN IN EFFECT JULY 1, 2010

Susanville – With the weather getting hotter and dryer, CAL FIRE announces all dooryard burn permits within Lassen, Modoc and Plumas Counties will be **SUSPENDED effective midnight June 30, 2010 (July 1, 2010)**. The dooryard burning suspension (Burn Ban) will continue until formally cancelled by CAL FIRE.

Dooryard burn permits will not be issued and dooryard burning is not allowed during this period of time. Agricultural vegetation control burns are still authorized with special permits issued from CAL FIRE and Air Quality.

CAL FIRE reminds residents that operating any internal combustion engine on any forest-covered land, brush-covered land, or grass-covered land is against the law unless the engine is equipped with a spark arrester. The requirement applies to all portable gasoline-powered machines, including all-terrain vehicles, weed and brush cutters, chainsaws, mowers and motorcycles.

The spark arrester requirement is important because one out of every five human-caused wildland fires is equipment related. Maintain your equipment in effective working order and ensure the engine is constructed, equipped, and maintained for the prevention of fire by having the correct spark arrester.

For more information on the correct spark arrester for the job, visit the U.S. Forest Service Spark Arrester Guide at http://www.fs.fed.us/fire/prev_ed/spark/sag-index.html, or contact the manufacture of the equipment you are using.

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