

Permanent  
Outdoor Burn Ban  
In Effect Jan 1, 2007



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# Permanent Statewide Outdoor Burn Ban

For residential yard debris and land-clearing burning as of January 1, 2007

State Law RCW 70.94

Washington State law is phasing-out outdoor burning to protect public health. Residential yard debris and land-clearing burning is banned in all urban growth areas (UGA) and the following cities/towns as of January 1, 2007: [new burn ban areas are italicized]

## Whatcom County:

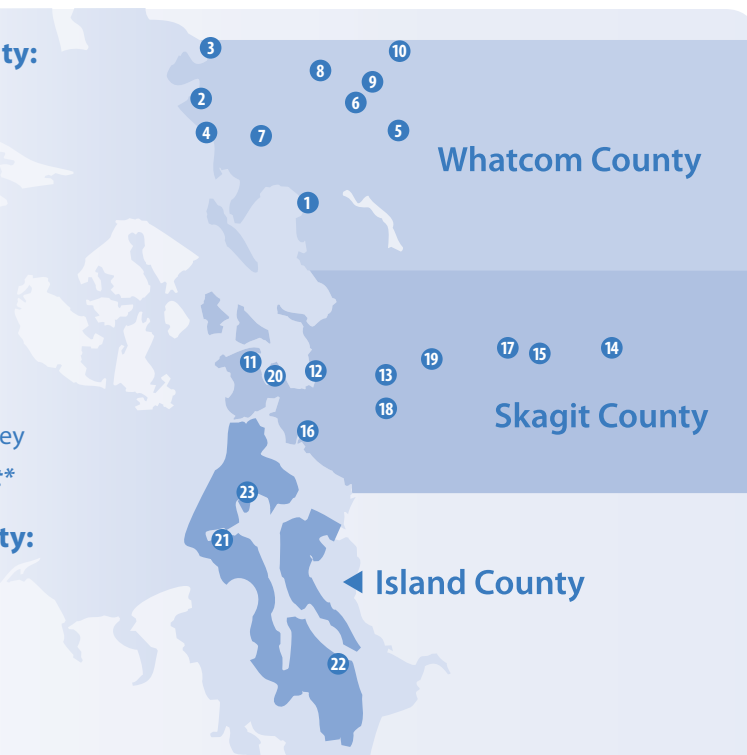
- 1 Bellingham
- 2 *Birch Bay\**
- 3 *Blaine*
- 4 Cherry Point\*
- 5 *Columbia Valley\**  
(Paradise Valley, Peaceful Valley, Kendall)
- 6 *Everson*
- 7 Ferndale
- 8 Lynden
- 9 *Nooksack*
- 10 *Sumas*

## Skagit County:

- 11 Anacortes
- 12 *Bay View\**
- 13 Burlington
- 14 *Concrete*
- 15 *Hamilton*
- 16 *La Conner*
- 17 *Lyman*
- 18 Mt. Vernon
- 19 Sedro-Wooley
- 20 *March Point\**

## Island County:

- 21 *Coupeville*
- 22 *Langley*
- 23 *Oak Harbor*



\* UGAs not associated with a city or town. Call your local planning department for UGA boundaries.

## General State Outdoor Burning Rules

If you live in an area where burning is allowed and choose to burn, please follow these guidelines:

- Only natural vegetation may be burned.
- Burning in burn barrels is prohibited.
- Impacting neighbors with smoke, odor or ash is prohibited.
- Ask your fire official about permit requirements.
- Construction, renovation or demolition materials may not be burned.
- Don't burn during a burn ban.



Serving Island, Skagit & Whatcom Counties

## Legal Burning

**Wood stoves & fireplaces** are not affected.

**Recreational fires** are allowed by state law, though local jurisdictions may have more stringent regulations. Call your local fire department for more information. Recreational fires consist of charcoal or untreated firewood and are used for cooking or pleasure.

**Storm & flood debris** may be burned with a permit from the Northwest Clean Air Agency. Please call 360.428.1617 (Skagit) or 800.622.4627 (Island & Whatcom) for more information.

## Prohibited Burning

**Residential fires:** fires for disposal of leaves, clippings and other yard and garden debris.

**Land-clearing fires:** fires for disposal of natural vegetation generated from land-clearing projects.

**Violations of State law may result in fines. To find out what alternatives to burning are available in your area, contact your local solid waste department.**

For more information please call  
**360.428.1617** (Skagit) or **800.622.4627**  
(Island & Whatcom) or visit us online at  
**www.nwcleanair.org.**

