



CAL FIRE Butte Unit

Proudly serving the County of Butte, the Cities of Biggs, Gridley and the Town of Paradise

Residential Burning Guidelines for Butte County

It must be a permissible burn day. Burn day status is determined by Butte County Air Quality Management District for all areas of Butte County, call **530-332-9407** or toll free **1-855-332-9407**

CAL FIRE Burn Permits REQUIRED May 1, 2021 in all State Responsibility Areas and the unincorporated areas of Butte County.

Residential Burning in the Unincorporated Areas of Butte County

CAL FIRE/Butte County Fire Department Burn Permits Required May 1st each year

Burn hours are 6:00 am to 11:00 am each permissible burn day

4' x 4' pile maximum size

10' clearance to soil surrounding pile

Adult must be in attendance

Must have means to extinguish pile: garden hose, bucket of water or tool

Only vegetative waste grown on property may be burned, vegetation must be dry

No Permit Required after the suspension is lifted in the winter months

Burn hours are 8:45 am to 1 hour before sunset. Burn day status is available at 8:30 am each day.

If the homeowner lives on a lot equal to or less than 1 acre, burn piles can only be 4' x 4' in size. Lots larger than 1 acre can have burn piles larger than 4' x 4' in size.

Residential Burning in the Upper Ridge/Magalia (Unincorporated Area of Butte County)

Burning is allowed in the Upper Ridge/Magalia Area on all lots **greater** than one acre in size on any permissible burn day.

Burning **on a lot less than one acre in size** shall only be conducted by zone January – June each year

North of Wycliff Way/Perry Road the 1st through the 15th of each month

South of Wycliff way/Perry Road the 16th through the end of each permissible month

Residential Burning in the Town of Paradise

Within the Town of Paradise burn permits are required and available online at:

<https://www.townofparadise.com/fire/page/burn-permits-and-information>

Burn hours are 8:45 am to dusk each permissive burn day, 6' x 6' pile maximum size

Burning is typically suspended June 1st each year until the fall – during CALFIRE declared Fire Season

Residential Burning in the City of Biggs

Within the city limits of Biggs burn permits are required **year-round**. Within the city limits residents can burn **all year** on permissive burn days. Residents outside of city limits must follow rules of the unincorporated areas of Butte County.

Between the dates of May 1st through October 31st

Burn hours are 6:00 am to 11:00 am each permissive burn day

Between the dates of November 1st through April 30th

Burn hours are 6:00 am to 2:00 pm each permissive burn day

Residential Burning in the City of Gridley

Within the city limits of Gridley burn permits are required **year-round**. Within the city limits residents can burn **all year** on permissive burn days. Residents outside of city limits must follow rules of the unincorporated areas of Butte County.

Between the dates of May 1st through October 31st

Burn hours are 6:00 am to 11:00 am each permissive burn day

Between the dates of November 1st through April 30th

Burn hours are 6:00 am to 5:00 pm each permissive burn day

Residential Burning in the City of Oroville

Burn Permits required year round, burn hours and locations determined seasonally by jurisdiction.

Residential Burning in the City of Chico

In the City limits of Chico: Burning is always prohibited, regardless of lot size.

In the unincorporated areas of the Chico Sphere of Influence: Burning is only allowed on residential lots that are at least 0.90 acre in size.

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