



## Southwest Air Pollution Control Authority

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Attached is the Southwest Air Pollution Control Authority's press release concerning the open burning of natural vegetation as mandated by Washington State Law in 1972. This law requires air pollution control authority's in the State of Washington to set up a program whereby the burning of natural vegetation, e.g. yard and garden clippings, may be conducted under controlled conditions.

This agency will allow two burning periods, one extending from April 14 through May 21 and a fall period of October 27 through November 26, 1972. The days when burning shall be allowed will be governed by maximum air pollutant dispersion conditions. This information as to burning days will be on the same basis as that used by the Columbia Willamette Air Pollution Authority, Portland, Oregon. For example, if it is a burning day in Portland, it will be the same in Clark and Cowlitz Counties in Washington. The programs allowing open burning by these two air pollution control agencies are nearly identical this year except for the starting day in April and ending day in May.

The spring burning period is as follows:

Southwest Air Pollution Control Authority - April 14 - May 21, 1972  
Columbia-Willamette Air Pollution Authority - April 15 - May 31, 1972

The fall burning period is as follows:

Southwest Air Pollution Control Authority  
and  
Columbia-Willamette Air Pollution Authority

Oct. 27 - Nov. 26, 1972


Starting in 1973 the dates for both agencies will be identical.

If possible, starting April 14 and going through May 21, please include the following along with burning information for the Columbia Willamette Authority: BURNING WILL/WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TODAY THROUGHOUT CLARK AND COWLITZ COUNTIES IN SOUTHWEST WASHINGTON.

This will allow the general public to keep informed as to days when the air contaminants released from such burning should have the least effect on air quality.

If you wish additional information concerning this please contact me at 696-2508 in Vancouver, Washington. Thank you.

Sincerely,

  
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