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Outdoor Burning Ban Announced for July 13, 2018

Lake Stevens, Snohomish County- Due to high fire danger and forecasted hot and dry weather conditions, the Lake Stevens Fire Marshal has announced an outdoor burning ban for the Lake Stevens Fire District to include the City of Lake Stevens. This Burn Ban will go into effect **Friday, July 13th, 2018 at 8 a.m.**

This restriction bans outdoor burning, except for recreational fires. Recreational fires are less than three (3) feet in diameter and two (2) feet high and are for cooking and pleasure only. Recreational fires must be contained within a fire pit that has been cleared of all combustible material within a 10 foot radius, must be monitored at all times, and must have a water source readily available (at a minimum, a charged water hose or a five-gallon bucket of water).

This burn ban will be in effect until further notice. Residential outdoor burning is always unlawful within the city limits of Lake Stevens and the Urban Growth Area (UGA).

All outdoor burn permits, including permits issued by Lake Stevens Fire and PSCAA (Puget Sound Clean Air Agency) for agricultural burning, are suspended until this ban is lifted. This ban will remain in effect until there is a sustained period of rainfall and the fire risk returns to low.

With the continuing dry weather conditions, Lake Stevens Fire recommends using extreme caution and consideration before starting a recreational fire. Please call the Snohomish County Outdoor Burning Information Hotline at (425) 388-3508 for updated information.

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