



News Release

Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation

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Open burning prohibited on Reservation begins July 1st, 2023

Open burning will close on the Umatilla Indian Reservation due to weather patterns and hot and dry conditions. This will include burning trash in barrels and yard debris. The burn ban begins Saturday, July 1st, 2023 and will be in effect until the fall.

Sweathouse and ceremonial fires are exempt from the ban, but for these fires, please call Umatilla Tribal Dispatch at 541-278-0550 to get a verbal permit. Burning will be regulated by firefighting resource availability and weather conditions.

You may call the Office of Air Quality at (541) 429-7080 if you need additional information regarding agricultural or other burning or air quality. The Office of Air Quality is responsible for burning permits and identifying burning activities.

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