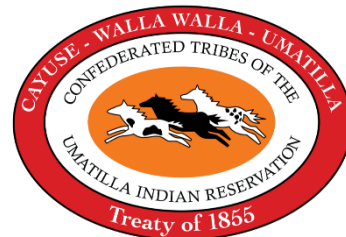


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Open Burning on Umatilla Indian Reservation Allowed Starting Oct. 11

MISSION – The Umatilla Tribal Fire Department (UTFD) has announced that open burning will once again be allowed on the Umatilla Indian Reservation (UIR) beginning Saturday, Oct. 11.

However, UTFD officials said the following burn regulations must be adhered to:

- All burns must always be maintained, meaning someone must attend to the area being burned.
- Burn only natural vegetation items such as untreated papers, wood, grass, limbs and trees.
- Burning must only be conducted on “Burn Days” as part of the CTUIR Office of Air Quality.
- Burning must be out by dusk for residential burning.
- Use extreme caution and make sure the fire is entirely out before leaving it unattended.

Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation (CTUIR) burn permit applications for the UIR may be obtained from the CTUIR Department of Natural Resources’ Office of Air Quality by calling 541-429-7080 or by emailing oaq@ctuir.org. Burn day notices are typically updated by 9 a.m. at the Office of Air Quality’s aforementioned telephone number.

For information regarding agricultural/forestry prescribed burns or other types of burning or air quality questions, call 541-969-3151.

The Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation is comprised of the Cayuse, Walla Walla and Umatilla Tribes, and formed under the Treaty of 1855 at the Walla Walla Valley, 12 Stat. 945. In 1949, the Tribes adopted a constitutional form of government to protect, preserve and enhance the reserved treaty rights guaranteed under federal law.

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Caption: A Umatilla Tribal Fire Department (UTFD) truck sits in the UTFD in Mission, Oregon. UTFD officials will allow open burning on the Umatilla Indian Reservation starting Saturday, Oct. 11. CTUIR