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Debris Burns (Dooryard Permits) Suspended in Shasta and Eastern Trinity Counties

Redding - The California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) has announced that with the weather getting hotter and dryer, and due to the seasonal menace of wildfires, and their potential to destroy life and property, all dooryard burn permits within Shasta and Eastern Trinity counties will be **SUSPENDED effective midnight June 30, 2010 (July 1, 2010)**. The dooryard burning suspension (Burn Ban) will continue until formally cancelled by CAL FIRE.

This suspension is for all State Responsibility areas within the counties of Shasta and Eastern Trinity. In Shasta County, residential burning on lands protected by the Shasta County Fire Department has been also been banned. Agricultural, training, campfire permits and vegetation control burns conducted under permit are not affected by this proclamation.

CAL FIRE urges residents of Shasta and Trinity counties to be careful when working out of doors especially using equipment that may cause fire, such as lawnmowers, weed eaters and other machinery that may cause sparks or overheat. Use equipment early in the morning when humidity levels are highest.

"CAL FIRE has been increasing the staffing levels, bringing seasonal firefighters back to work, conducting training and refresher modules, and we are ready to fight fires this season. We are fully prepared and ready to go," said Unit Chief Doug Wenham, "Temperatures are rising, vegetation is drying out, and summer weather patterns have begun. There is always a tremendous potential for wildfire in California, especially in Shasta and Trinity Counties."

For more information on preparing your home and family to be prepared against wildfire, contact your nearest CAL FIRE facility, local fire department or visit the CAL FIRE website, www.readyforwildfire.org