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Closure of Open Burning – Public Service Announcement

Eureka County will close all controlled burning *effective 12:00 a.m., Wednesday, June 3, 2020*. This closure includes yard trimmings, limbs, brush, and burn barrels within Eureka County.

Lack of precipitation, afternoon winds and extremely high temperatures have caused vegetation throughout Eureka County to become highly combustible. Portions of Eureka County have an abundance of dry fuel this year compared to previous years. The lack of precipitation and combination of wind in the last two weeks has dried these fuels, requiring the closure of open burning of yard materials and the use of burn barrels. Citizens are also reminded that you may be held liable for suppression costs and/or damages related to an escaped burn.

Eureka County will monitor conditions and further restrictions may be implemented during the summer including full restrictions with State and Federal partners on public lands throughout the county.

Please remember to have adequate defensible space of 30 or more feet around your homes and outbuildings. Some helpful tips for clearing defensible space include lightly watering the area the night prior to mowing and using string trimmers with nylon twine instead of metal blades. Use caution traveling on and off road in Eureka County, carry water, a shovel and call 911 or 775-237-5330 to report a fire.

Please have a safe and enjoyable summer.

Eureka County Fire Protection District

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