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PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

Open Burning Allowed through April 30, 2016

The Superstition Fire & Medical District has lifted the Open Burning Restrictions effective retroactively from Thursday, October 1, 2015. Outdoor cooking fires and small recreational or warming fires are not required to be permitted. All other burning requires a valid burn permit as issued by the Air Quality Control offices of Pinal County.

As always, we encourage all citizens to be mindful of their surroundings when planning or implementing any type of recreational or permitted fire. Please keep children and animals away from the fire and have the required extinguishing equipment immediately available. Please remember that general household trash and garbage **cannot** be burned in recreational or permitted fires.

The State of Arizona Area 'A' designation requires that open burning be restricted from May 1 through September 30 each year. It is anticipated that a wet spring will allow open burning to remain in effect through the end of April 2016. If we experience a dryer than normal spring, burn restrictions could be put into place sooner.

These guidelines and restrictions apply to all City and County areas within the Fire District boundaries. Any questions regarding these restrictions should be directed to the Superstition Fire & Medical District – Fire Prevention Bureau Offices at (480) 982-1299.

To find out more about Open Burning regulations, visit our web site at www.sfmd.az.gov