BOARDMAN FIRE and RESCUE DISTRICT OPEN BURNING POLICY

REQUIREMENT: Call 481-2112 ext.5129 or 541-676-5317 **PRIOR** to burning. **Residential burn permits are good for three (3) years beginning July 1, 2015.**

Permission is required for the burning of any grass, grains, stubble, debris, or other combustibles in all areas of the State or Oregon.

The Boardman Fire Rescue District allows open burning by permit. Permits are valid when the following conditions are met:

- 1. Prior to burning, permit holder is **required to contact Morrow County Dispatch** to find out if burning is authorized for that day.
- 2. Permit holder shall have adequate fire protection equipment in place to control fire. Fire cannot exceed onsite water supply.

(water supply, rake, shovel, hose, tractor, disk, etc.,)

- 3. Weather conditions do not exceed any of the following
 - A. Temperature above 90 degrees
 - B. Wind above 15mph
 - C. Humidity below 20%
- 4. Permit holder is not burning any prohibited materials.
- 5. Permit holder remains with fire at all times until fire is out or extinguished.
- 6. The State Fire Marshall has not prohibited open burning.

PRIOR to BURNING CALL THIS NUMBER 541-481-2112 EXT 5129 or 541-676-5317 Morrow County Dispatch

Within the boundaries of District or Cities, the Fire Chief or his designated representative has the responsibility for such permits.

Open burning includes any burning outdoors. A fire in a "burn barrel" is open burning. So is burning debris in an outdoor fireplace or backyard incinerator. Other examples include burning piles of yard debris, burning stumps to clear land, and burning construction debris or the remains of demolished structures.

It is against the law to conduct any open burning that:

- 1. Unreasonably interferes with the enjoyment of life or property.
- 2. Creates a public or private nuisance.
- 3. Is a hazard to public safety
- 4. To burn any of the following materials:
 - A. Rubber products.
 - B. Tires
 - C. Plastic
 - D. Wet garbage
 - E. Petroleum & petroleum treated materials
 - F. Asphalt or industrial waste
 - G. Any material that creates dense smoke or noxious odors.
 - H. Creosote treated wood
 - Fire Emergency 911

Permit holders are responsible for all fires they start. Permit holders will be liable for costs incurred for the suppression of and or damages to property of others. It is the permit holder's responsibility to call 911 immediately in the event the permit holder loses control of the fire.

Open burning violations can result in penalties of up to \$10,000.00 per day of violation. Continued violations will result in permit being revoked.

ORS 478.965 allows for the district to recover costs of suppressing unlawful fire and attorney fees.

Unlawful fire is identified under ORS 477.740 as:

- 1. Unlawfully set on fire
- 2. Intentionally or negligently allows fire to escape
- 3. Accidentally set or allows to escape from control without extinguishing
- 4. Has knowledge of a fire burning and fails or neglects to make effort to control.

Burning season CLOSED annually June 15 to September 1

Boardman Fire Rescue <u>541-481-3473</u>

I ________ acknowledge and agree to comply with the Boardman Fire Rescue burn permit policy. I further understand that failure to comply will result in being fined, up to and including, the permit being revoked.