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## **Yakima County Fire Marshal's Office Announces Lifting of County-wide Burn Ban**

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**YAKIMA, WA** - The Yakima County Fire Marshal's office has announced that the burn ban established Friday, August 5, 2022, will be lifted effective September 22, 2022, at 12:01 a.m., for all unincorporated areas of Yakima County. Local fire officials have agreed that lower temperatures, improved relative humidity and fuel moisture content have significantly reduced the fire danger.

Conditions are monitored based on weather conditions and community safety needs during the ban in order to lift burn restrictions as soon as possible to allow necessary fall burning.

The Yakima County Fire Marshal's Office appreciates the public's cooperation with this recent burn ban and for understanding the sensitive situation many communities and their first responders were facing with some very dry conditions. The Fire Marshal's Office also emphasizes that any open burning must be done in accordance with fire codes and Clean Air regulations.

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