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## **Spring Marsh Burning Season Extended Until April 30th**

The Bay Area Air Quality Management District has implemented new procedures for the 2006 Spring Marsh Burn Season. First, the Air District has already extended the spring permissive burn for marsh management fires in the Suisun Marsh, Solano County, until April 30. This burn season was originally scheduled to end on March 31 under Regulation 5, Subsection 401.13.

The new procedures also require Marsh burners to call (415) 749-4915 by 12:00 p.m. on the day before the intended burn and leave a message with the property name and acreage amount to be burned. This is in addition to the existing requirement that burners call (415) 749-4600 between 8:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. on the morning of the planned burn and prior to ignition to receive their acreage allocation. Marsh management fires can only take place on a burn day as determined by the Air District. Air District meteorologists forecast Burn/No Burn days by 3 PM for the following day. The information is recorded on the Air District's toll-free number – 1 800 HELP-AIR (1 800 435-7247). The Air District's open burning regulation (Regulation 5) can be downloaded at [www.baaqmd.gov](http://www.baaqmd.gov). Follow the link to regulations.

For additional information about marsh burning requirements in the Air District, please call Janet Simon, Air Quality Specialist, at (415) 749-4780.

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