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*This Advisory is provided to inform you about activities of the Air District which may affect your operation. It is intended to assist you in your effort to achieve and maintain compliance with applicable air pollution regulations.*

**This Advisory supersedes a previous compliance advisory to Bay Area Marsh Burners dated August 13, 2009. The new language is underlined.**

**ATTENTION: MARSH BURNERS**




**SUBJECT: SPRING 2010 MARSH BURN SEASON**

This advisory provides advance notice to Marsh Burners planning to burn in the 2010 season. The Spring Marsh Burn Season will begin on **March 1 and end on April 15**. In past years, the spring season period was February 1 through March 31. However, landowners have not found February conducive to marsh burning due to extensive rains and wet vegetation. Therefore, pursuant to Regulation 5, the spring season was frequently extended beyond March 31 to allow sufficient time to complete burns. The 2010 spring season will not be extended beyond April 15 due to the bird nesting season pursuant to guidance from the California Department of Fish and Game.

Marsh burners must continue to follow the existing procedures:

1. Obtain burn permit from the local fire agency;
2. Submit smoke management plans to the District 30 days prior to burning;
3. Notify the District at (415) 749-4915 by 12 noon the day before they intend to burn with property name, SRCD number, and acres to be burned;
4. 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 burn acreage from the District; and
5. Call (415) 749-4600 no later than 12:00 p.m., the next day, to report the amount of acres burned.

**More Information can be obtained from the following sources:**

-  For questions about this Advisory, contact Janet Simon, Air Quality Specialist at [jsimon@baaqmd.gov](mailto:jsimon@baaqmd.gov) or (415) 749-4780.
-  For a copy of the above-listed rule, see [www.baaqmd.gov/dst/regulations/index.htm](http://www.baaqmd.gov/dst/regulations/index.htm).
-  For compliance assistance, call (415) 749-4999, the Compliance Counselor Hotline.

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