



County of Caroline
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“Caroline County Suspends Temporary Ban on Open Burning”

Caroline, Virginia – 8:30 AM on August 19, 2010; The Caroline County Department of Fire-Rescue and Emergency Management has suspended the “NO BURNING or OUTDOOR FIRE BAN” established on July 7, 2010. Based on the Department’s recommendation, enforcement of the Emergency Ordinance against open burning will also be suspended. This action coincides with improved ground moisture levels across the region.

“The rain that Caroline County has received recently has helped” stated Chief David Layman. “However, we are asking that anyone burning outdoors please use extra caution and continue to abide by existing County ordinances for open burning. Homeowners should attend all fires and have a means of extinguishment or control method readily available. Please do not burn on windy days.”

The Caroline County Board of Supervisors, Department of Fire-Rescue and Emergency Management, Caroline County Sheriff’s Office and the Virginia Department of Forestry would like to thank the citizens for their cooperation during the local state of fire emergency and “No Open Burning” ban. This greatly reduced the number of wildfires during this period and improved the overall safety of the County.

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