

**SUMTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

SUBJECT: Recommendaton to Rescind Resolution for Burn Ban

REQUESTED ACTION: Staff recommends approval

Work Session (Report Only) **DATE OF MEETING:** 2/8/2011
 Regular Meeting Special Meeting

CONTRACT: N/A

Effective Date: _____

Managing Division / Dept: _____

Vendor/Entity: _____

Termination Date: _____

BUDGET IMPACT: _____

Annual

Capital

N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: _____

EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT: _____

HISTORY/FACTS/ISSUES:

On December 14, 2010, The Board of County Commissioners approved resolution declaring a local emergency and adopting rules to prohibit all burning and fireworks in Sumter County until further notice.

At this time, staff recommends the current burn ban to be lifted. Staff will continue to monitor the conditions on a weekly basis to be able to advise the BOCC in the event conditions worsen.

See attached recommendation from Fire Chief Brad Burris.

Morrison, Chris

From: Arnold, Bradley
Sent: Thursday, February 03, 2011 1:41 PM
To: Morrison, Chris
Subject: FW: Burn Ban report and recommendations

From: Burris, Brad
Sent: Thursday, February 03, 2011 11:53 AM
To: Arnold, Bradley
Cc: Greek, Leland
Subject: Burn Ban report and recommendations

Mr. Arnold,

I have reviewed the current conditions according to our established procedure for implementing or revoking a burn ban. Below are the current conditions:

Keetch Byram Drought Index - 189

Fire Danger Index - 1 / low

Haines Index - 2

Humidity - average for Sumter County 80 to 90%

Forecast - The forecast for the next 5 days calls for intermittent periods of showers and thundershowers with variances in temperature. The conditions are improving with reduced possibility of conditions that would cause wildland fires to grow to a dangerous level quickly.

Recommendation:

At this time I am recommending that the current burn ban be lifted. We will continue to monitor the conditions on a weekly basis to be able to advise the BOCC in the event conditions worsen.

Brad Burris
Deputy Chief
SCFR

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