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**NEZ PERCE RESERVATION AIR QUALITY PERMIT: LARGE GENERAL OPEN BURN  
 INSTRUCTIONS, TERMS & CONDITIONS**

*A large open burn is a burn of non-prohibited materials that is greater than 6 feet in diameter or more than 30 feet of fence line vegetation or 20 feet of ditch bank vegetation. Air Quality Permit Applications for residential burns, agricultural and forestry-related burning are available from the US EPA or the Nez Perce Tribe Air office listed above. Permit applicants are required to adhere to the following requirements. After sending in an Air Quality Permit Application and receiving approval, this signed sheet is your permit and you must keep it available and provide it upon request to Nez Perce Tribe or US EPA inspectors. 40 CFR 49.132 General Open Burning Permits*

Applicant Name	Applicant Signature	Burn Permit Number
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**General Terms and Conditions**

1. Applicants can obtain permit forms from the Nez Perce Tribe (NPT) Air Quality Office, Idaho Department of Lands (IDL) or online at [www.epa.gov/r10earth/FARR.htm](http://www.epa.gov/r10earth/FARR.htm) or [www.nezperce.org](http://www.nezperce.org).
  - a. Permit applications must be submitted to the NPT Air Quality Office via fax or received in the mail at least five working days, but not later than one working day, prior to the desired burn date.
  - b. Nez Perce Reservation Large General Open Burning Permits cost \$0 per permit. Fees must be paid to the NPT Air Quality Office prior to burning.
  - c. Please apply early to ensure all documents are in place prior to requesting to burn.
2. Applicants must request and receive burn approval from the US EPA or the NPT Air Quality Office. Contact number: 208-843-9381 or 1-800-720-4089.
3. Applicants are responsible for compliance with any applicable burn safety requirements and must also obtain applicable fire safety permits. Idaho Department of Lands permits are required to burn between May 10th and October 20th. Contact your local fire district or sheriff's office for other permit information.
4. Applicants are responsible for compliance with any applicable burn safety requirements and for shutting down burns when necessary and/or requested to do so by the NPT Air Quality Office or US EPA. Factors taken into consideration in deciding whether a burn should be shut down include:
  - a. Wind speed, direction, or sudden shifts
  - b. Extended or extremely high levels of particulate matter on air monitors
  - c. Fire safety and control
  - d. Proximity to canyon rims, roadways, towns, houses, businesses, and other sensitive populations
5. Applicants are responsible for conducting test burns, especially near sensitive areas (canyon rims, near towns and houses), and must have flaggers stationed for burns affecting roadways.
6. Applicants must call the NPT Air Quality Office with post burn information.
7. Applicants are responsible for following all procedures and guidelines regarding large general open burning on the Nez Perce Reservation.

### **Burn Call Procedures the Day Preceding the Burn Day**

1. After applications are in and complete, applicants should call the NPT Air Quality Office to request to burn **no later than 2:00 PM** prior to the day of the desired burn (Please note: calling by 2:00 PM does not guarantee a next day burn approval). Applicants may leave a voicemail.
2. The following burn information must be supplied:
  - a. Name and contact phone number
  - b. Burn permit number
  - c. Type and size of burn(s) (e.g. how many piles, dimensions, footage or acreage).
  - d. Location of the burn (County, Township, Range, Section, & Quarter Section or address if at a residential or commercial business site).
  - e. Other pertinent information (e.g. canyon rim, near highway, near a town, etc.)
3. Nez Perce Tribe burn managers review requests between **2:00 and 3:30 PM** to determine the preliminary recommendation for the burn area(s). Burn priority will be as follows:
  - a. Favorable conditions for sensitive areas (near towns, roads, canyons)
  - b. The preferred area to be burned (in terms of forecasted conditions).
  - c. The order of burn requests received from applicants.
4. Pre-approved applicants will receive a preliminary decision by telephone by **4:30 PM**. A telephone message will be left if there is no answer.

### **Burn Call Procedures on the Burn Day**

1. If the preliminary burn decision changes due to poor air quality and/or updated forecast information, the NPT Air Quality Office will call pre-approved applicants by **9:15 AM**.  
Note: Applicants must be reachable by phone or other means of communication during the day of the burn should there be a change in the burn decision and if it necessary to cease all burning. If applicants are not reachable and continue burning, they are in violation of the permit.
2. If preliminary burn decisions do not change, the NPT Air Quality Office will not call applicants.
3. The applicant must call the NPT Air Quality Office before ignition to find out if any changes have occurred in conditions for the day and to allow the office to track which fires are being burned, the time they are ignited and where the fires are located.  
Note: If the NPT Air Quality Office is unable to answer the phone, applicants may leave a message that they are lighting and the time of ignition.

### **Post-Burn Procedures**

1. Within 24 hours after the burn, the applicant must contact the NPT Air Quality Office with post burn information and leave the following:
  - a. Name
  - b. Date and time of the completed burn
  - c. How the burn went and if it is still smoldering
  - d. What was actually burned
2. Applicants may leave a telephone message, mail or fax the post burn information.  
Note: *If an applicant does not submit the post burn information, then the applicant will be out of compliance with permit conditions and may drop in priority for subsequent burns.*

The public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average one hour per response. Send comments on the Agency's need for this information, the accuracy of the provided burden estimates, and any suggested methods for minimizing respondent burden, including through the use of automated collection techniques to the Director, Collection Strategies Division, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (2822T), 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, D.C. 20460. Include the OMB control number in any correspondence. Do not send the completed form to this address.



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Complete this application and submit it one to five working days prior to the proposed burn date. Completed forms should be submitted to: **Nez Perce Tribe, Air Quality Project, P.O. Box 365, 109 Lolo Street, Lapwai, Idaho 83540 Phone: 1-800-720-4089 or 208-843-9381 Fax: 208-843-7378**

**Contact Information**

1. Company Name		2. Date	
3. Applicant Name		4. Primary Phone	
5. Physical Address		6. Additional Phone	
7. Mailing Address (if different from above)		8. Fax	
9. City, State, Zip Code		10. County of Residence	
11. Person Conducting the Burn (if different from applicant)		12. Phone of Person Conducting the Burn (if different from applicant)	

**Description of Burn Location**

13. Burn Location:

14. Township	15. Range	16. Section	17. QuarterSection
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18. Indicate Type of Material to be Burned:

19. Indicate Amount of Material to be Burned (by height x length x width in feet):

**APPLICANT'S STATEMENT** (To be signed by the applicant)

20. I certify that the information provided as part of this application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and that I have read, understand, and agree to abide by the permit's terms and conditions.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ (signature)      Name \_\_\_\_\_ (printed or typed)      Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Burn Information**

21. **Please locate** and identify in the box below: Burn location and distance of access roads, highways, houses, businesses or other areas that could be impacted by the burning to be conducted. You may also include a tract map, GPS map or other similar map.

22. **Burning Methods:** Describe the burning method(s) to be used:

Method:  propane torch  other \_\_\_\_\_

23. **Fire Safety Methods:** Please indicate the measures you will take to prevent escaped burns and smoke danger:

- water availability
- hand tool availability
- heavy equipment availability
- fire breaks or safety zones
- flaggers
- other \_\_\_\_\_
- other \_\_\_\_\_

Applicants must also obtain applicable fire safety permits. Idaho Department of Lands permits are required between May 10th and October 20th. Contact your local fire district or sheriff's office for other permit information.

24. **Remarks:**

25. Burn Permit Number

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