

NEW PROCESS FOR ALL OPEN BURNS IN UNINCORPORATED BOULDER COUNTY

If you are conducting an open burn in unincorporated Boulder County, including slash and agricultural burns, there is a new process in place. Reporting your burn to County Communications (dispatch) is no longer necessary. Go to the Open Burning Portal at BurnPermits.BoulderCounty.gov to learn more about how to file your Intent to Burn online or by using our new Hotline.



Steps for conducting an open burn

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Review the Guide to Burning for unincorporated Boulder County and complete your burn checklist.

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At least 20 days prior to burning slash piles, APPLY for a Burn Permit online at: BurnPermits.BoulderCounty.gov. Agricultural Burns should be registered at least 1 day before burning at the same website.

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Choose and prepare a safe burn site and prepare the fuels.

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On the day you burn, within 5 minutes of ignition, go online to the Boulder County Open Burning Portal or call 720-806-4305 to initiate your Intent to Burn.

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Use safety measures outlined in the Guide to Burning (wear flame-resistant clothing, have safe ignition device, have a water source, etc.). Make a plan in the event your burn escapes, including calling 911 immediately.

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Mop up and monitor the burn site. A pile that has not been properly mopped up can reignite days later. The ash should be cold to the touch all the way down to the soil.

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Once you have confirmed your burn is extinguished, log in to the Boulder County Open Burning Portal, or call 720-806-4305, and close out your burn.

