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PRESS RELEASE

The Board of Directors of the Southwest Air Pollution Control Authority, issued an Order that all wood waste burners in Clark, Cowlitz, Lewis, Skamania, and Wahkiakum Counties meet standards prior to June 30, 1971, or be eliminated. This Order followed an open meeting discussing a staff report on the problem. This Order affects over 30 lumber, plywood, shake and shingle companies throughout the five counties.

Many of the industries have already reduced the amount of materials going to the burners. Most of the material that has been removed is now being marketed. The Authority is hopeful that other markets will develop to aid in the handling of the remaining material.

Counties of: Skamania
Cowlitz
Lewis
Wahkiakum