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Fire control requirements vary from city to city. Following is a brief cription of these requirements:

Longview Fire Department: Annual written permits must be obtained

Kelso Fire Department: Previously issued permits may be renewe' the fire department. First time permits only after the fire department has it posed burning site. These inspect;

by phone.

Castle Rock Fire Department: A written permit is not

Kalama Fire Department: A written permit is not $r\epsilon$

Fire District #2: Natural vegetation may be burestablished by the Departme

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The Washington State Department of Natural Resources Regulations apply to areas other than those listed above. In this area natural vegetation may be burned within the requirements established by that Agency.