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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

## **Emergency small debris burn ban**

Skamania County and all counties within the Pacific Cascade Region of Washington State are implementing a temporary emergency ban on small debris burning:

**Begin:** 12:00am Tuesday, April 14, 2020

**End:** 12:00am Wednesday, April 22, 2020

**What:** All issued small debris burn permits will be temporarily invalid and there will not be any new small debris burn permits issued until the temporary small debris ban has been lifted. The projected end date of April 22, 2020 may be extended if weather conditions continue.

**Why:** Dry weather conditions, low humidity.

All small debris fires that are currently burning must be completely out by 12:00am, Tuesday April 14, 2020. Please check all available resources before you start burning again, including the Skamania County Website, Washington State Department of Natural Resources website or call the Community Development Department at (509) 427-3900.

In addition, Washington State Department of Natural Resources will go to a MODERATE fire danger level for all lands protected by the DNR. Written permits issued by the DNR for Silvicultural burning are only valid at LOW fire danger.

-Skamania County Fire Marshal