

Lincoln County Environmental Health

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TODAY'S AIR QUALITY - **MODERATE**

STATUS – NORMAL

[Health Effects of Exposure to Fine Particulate Matter \(PM 2.5\).](#)

[Air Quality Alert Status](#)

Please see [Lincoln County Air Pollution Control District Map](#) for a map defining the district boundaries. The following rules and regulations apply to anyone planning to burn within the district. This is an abridged set of rules intended to be a reminder. For a complete listing see [Lincoln County Air Quality Ordinance](#) . Please contact our office at 283-2442 with any questions.

Outdoor Burning Periods:

- (1) Residential burning – April 1 through April 30
- (2) Management Burning – April 1 through October 31
- (3) Closed Burning Periods – November 1 through March 31

Recreational Fires:

Small recreational fires are allowed in the district, unless prohibited by other fire control agencies. The size of a campfire is defined in ARM 36.10.132 to be not more than 3 feet in diameter or height. This definition is reasonable and we plan to use it as guidance.

The following materials may not be disposed of by outdoor burning:

- (a) any waste moved from the premises where it was generated;
- (b) food wastes;
- (c) styrofoam and other plastics;
- (d) wastes generating noxious odors;
- (e) wood and wood by-products that have been treated, coated, painted, stained, or contaminated by a foreign material, such as paper, cardboard, or painted or stained wood;
- (f) poultry litter;
- (g) animal droppings;
- (h) dead animals or dead animal parts;
- (i) tires;
- (j) rubber materials;
- (k) asphalt shingles;
- (l) tar paper;
- (m) automobile or aircraft bodies and interiors;
- (n) insulated wire;
- (o) oil or petroleum products;
- (p) treated lumber and timbers;
- (q) pathogenic wastes;
- (r) hazardous wastes as defined by 40 CFR Part 261;
- (s) trade wastes;
- (t) any materials resulting from a salvage operation;
- (u) chemicals;
- (v) Christmas tree waste;
- (w) asbestos or asbestos-containing materials;

(x) standing or demolished structures; and
(y) paint.

The burning of stumps, the burning of grass clippings and leaves, and overnight smoldering of burns is prohibited.

Burning on any city or county street, road or alley is prohibited.

The use of burn barrels, or other unapproved devices, is prohibited.

MT DEQ – Today's Air

<http://todaysair.mt.gov/>

MT DEQ – Winter Air Quality Update

<http://svc.mt.gov/deg/aqreport/mostRecentUpdate.aspx>

National Weather Service Missoula

<http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/mso/newlcl.php>

Blue Sky Gateway MM5 Ventilation Index

<http://getbluesky.org/bluesky/sti/graphanim.cfm?graph=vindex>

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