



# News Release

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## **CEASE AND DESIST ON OUT DOOR BURNING LIFTED**

Baton Rouge LA, State Fire Marshal Butch Browning and Agriculture and Forestry Commissioner Mike Strain, have lifted the cease and desist order on private burning, pursuant to his authority under R.S. 40:1563. With recent recordings of rain fall statewide, conditions have improved to allow such burning activities. Citizens are advised to proceed with caution in conducting outdoor burning including not leaving fires unattended and keeping a 100 foot area clear from vegetation, buildings and wooded areas. In addition, local governments and fire departments should be consulted as to any local concerns since this statewide ban has been lifted.

Both the State Fire Marshal and the Commissioner of Agriculture and Forestry wish to thank the public for their diligence and adherence to the burn ban, while it was in effect the number of out of control fires did decrease. Federal, State and local fire services did heroic work in protecting lives and property while fighting these hundreds of fires in Louisiana.

This order is effective as of 13:00 Hours, November 3, 2010

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