

# CAL FIRE NEWS RELEASE

## California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection



### Amador-El Dorado Unit

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### **CAL FIRE Amador-El Dorado Unit Transitions Out of Peak Fire Season**

**Camino** – Cooler temperatures and increased relative humidity across the region have lowered the threat of wildfires allowing the Amador-El Dorado Unit of CAL FIRE to transition out of peak fire season. Effective at 8:00 AM on Monday, November 21, 2022, CAL FIRE will no longer require a burn permit in the State Responsibility Areas of Alpine, Amador, El Dorado, Sacramento, and San Joaquin Counties.

“Now is the time to create defensible space for next season. Although CAL FIRE burn permits will not be required after November 21, 2022, I want to remind the public to check with their appropriate County air quality district for any permits they may require prior to burning,” states Unit Chief Mike Blankenheim.

During the cooler winter months, CAL FIRE will continue to actively focus efforts on fire prevention and fuels treatment activities as guided by the State’s Strategic Fire Plan and Unit fire plans. These activities are aimed at reducing the impacts of large, damaging wildfires, public safety and improving overall forest health.

Residents are urged to continue to take precautions outdoors to prevent sparking a wildfire. A leading cause of wildfires this time of year is from escaped landscape debris burning. Before you burn, ensure it is a permissive burn day by contacting the local air quality district (listed below) and make sure that you have all required burn permits during burning, make sure piles landscape debris are no larger than 4 feet in diameter, provide 10 foot of clearance down to bare mineral soil around the burn pile and ensure that a responsible adult attends all times with a water source and a shovel.

#### County Air Quality Information numbers

Amador (209) 223-6246 El Dorado (530) 621-5897 Alpine (760) 872-8211  
Tahoe Basin (530) 621-5842 / (888) 322-2876 Sacramento (916) 874-4800

For more ways to burn safely visit [www.ReadyForWildfire.org](http://www.ReadyForWildfire.org).

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