July 17, 2025, **For Immediate Release:**

### OUTDOOR BURNING BAN

IN ISLAND COUNTY, WASHINGTON

**TYPE II BURN BAN IN EFFECT**

# AS OF 4:00 p.m., July 18, 2025

NO OUTDOOR BURNING OF NATURAL DEBRIS – EVEN WITH A PERMIT.

Burn Ban - Type II includes a ban on all outdoor burning in unincorporated Island County including a ban on recreational fires that were otherwise exempt from a Type I burn ban and including a ban on the use and discharge of consumer fireworks, unless the use and discharge of such fireworks are authorized by a permit issued by the Fire Marshal. The use of barbeque grills using propane or briquettes, or self-contained camp stoves are exempt from Type II burn bans and these items may still be used.

***The danger of outdoor fires is extreme right now. Please use extreme caution with any ignition source.***

PROCLAMATION and PUBLIC NOTICE

WHEREAS, by July 17, 2025, atmospheric conditions of reduced fuel moisture levels, low humidity, and warmer weather have increased the risk of fire within the confines of Island County,

THEREFORE, in concurrence with the Fire Protection Districts of Whidbey and Camano Islands and the Northwest Clean Air Agency, I, Sheriff Rick Felici, serving as the Island County Fire Marshal, do hereby proclaim a BAN on ALL outdoor burning within the entirety of Island County

#### REPORT VIOLATIONS TO 911

This ban will be reevaluated in 60 days but will remain in effect until further notice.

Sheriff Rick Felici Island County Fire Marshal

OUTDOOR BURNING INFORMATION:

Island County Code-Chapter 9.10

(https://library.municode.com/wa/island\_county/codes/code\_of\_ordinances?nodeId=TITIXPUPESAMO\_CH9.10OUBUPE)

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