



NOTICE

LANDCLEARING OPEN BURNS NOW PROHIBITED

Effective immediately, pile burning of MACHINE-STACKED or CATEGORY 3 QUANTITIES* of LANDCLEARING DEBRIS is BANNED in all Cowichan Valley Regional District Electoral Areas.

Landclearing debris must be chipped, ground or reused onsite. If no suitable alternatives are available, **landclearing debris may be burned ONLY with the use of an air curtain or trench burner.**

- 1) Burns must still be registered with Ministry of Forests and Range prior to ignition. Call 1-888-797-1717 to obtain burn registration number.
- 2) Burns must also be registered with CVRD Public Safety Department prior to ignition. Call 250-746-2561 or go to www.cvrld.bc.ca to obtain registration form.
- 3) Operators must adhere to Provincial *Open Burning Smoke Control Regulation* ventilation index requirements. Call 1-888-281-2992 to check Provincial Ventilation Index.

*Category 3 quantities are defined as a fire that burns:

- material concurrently in 3 or more piles each not exceeding 2 meters in height and 3 meters in width; or
- material in 1 or more piles each exceeding 2 meters in height and 3 meters in width.

Report Infractions! Call 250-746-2561.

**Violators face fines of up to \$1000 per incident,
and potential prosecution.**

For more information, or to obtain copies of CVRD Bylaw No. 2020 – *Landclearing Management Regulation Bylaw, 2009*, go to www.cvrdreycles.bc.ca or call the CVRD Recycling Hotline at 250-746-2540 or toll free 1-800-665-3955.