



**COLORADO**  
Department of Public  
Health & Environment

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Dear Neighbor:

The person giving you this letter is planning to burn piles of tree limbs. The burn supervisor has a smoke management permit from the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE). Because prescribed fire smoke may affect your health, the permit requires that they give you this letter.

- For more information about health and smoke, see <https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/cdphe/wood-smoke-and-health>. The elderly, children, and people with existing health conditions such as heart or lung disease are especially vulnerable to smoke.
- If you have questions about the smoke permit you may call Coleen Campbell at 303 692-3224, Joseph Reale at 303-692-3244, Scott Landes at 303-692-3255, or see <https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/cdphe/contact-smoke-programs>.
- Or you may talk to the burn supervisor about any aspect of the burn including smoke.

The date(s) when pile burning occurs will depend on weather. In deciding when to burn, the burn supervisor will be taking into account both fire control, and weather conditions that will minimize the smoke's effect on you.

CDPHE recognizes that the vegetation being burned will generate air pollution. There are more opportunities to manage smoke impacts during a planned fire than there are during a wildfire situation. Prescribed fire has been shown to reduce many of the risks associated with wildfire.

Burn Supervisor's  
Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Address or location  
of planned burning: \_\_\_\_\_

Date mailed or  
delivered: \_\_\_\_\_