

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
WALLA WALLA COUNTY, WASHINGTON

IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING
WALLA WALLA COUNTY CODE
CHAPTER 15.04 INCREASING
THE FEE FOR AGRICULTURAL
BURNING

ORDINANCE # 273

WHEREAS, Walla Walla County has previously adopted Walla Walla County Code, Chapter 15.04, "Uniform Fire Code and Uniform Fire Code Standards" relating to Air Pollution Control, Fire Safety, and Agricultural Burning, and

WHEREAS, the costs to the County for providing burn control permitting have increased and need to be updated due to the change in permit management from Walla Walla County to the Walla Walla County Conservation District. The revised charge is expended by the Walla Walla County staff in program oversight and fire safety management, and for man Washington State Department of Ecology.

WHEREAS, the County desires to permit the agricultural burning permitting process; now therefore

BE IT ORDAINED by the Walla Walla County Commissioners that they amend Section 15.04.142, Walla Walla County Code to state:

All agricultural burning requires a permit except for exempt activities as defined in RCW 710.94.745 (7). The following permit fees shall now apply:

Spot Burns:

A fee of \$25.00 will be charged for all Spot Burns. Spot Burns are defined as burns ranging from 1/2 acre to 10 acres in size. A Spot Burn Permit is valid for up to ten acres and must be used within the calendar year in which it is issued. Of the \$25.00 fee, \$12.50 will be remitted to the Washington State Department of Ecology and \$12.50 will be retained by the Walla Walla County Conservation District.

Agricultural Burn:

The fee for agricultural burning on areas of 1/2 acre or more shall be \$1.50 per acre. Of this amount, \$.25 per acre will be allocated to the County for program administration, \$.50 per acre will be allocated to the Conservation District for permit issuance, and \$.75 per acre will be remitted to the Washington State Department of Ecology.

Done this 13th day of May, 2002

Connie K. Vintti
Attest
Clerk of the Board



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