

## **Burn Permits**

If you want to burn brush on your lot, this is what you need to do:

- 1) You must obtain a burn permit from the County by calling 564-3000. Following are the requirements:
  - You can only get a burn permit for brush. Household trash and construction materials may not be burned.
  - The fire must be at least 50' away from any structure.
  - You must stay with the fire until it is extinguished.
  - You must have some means of putting out the fire in case it gets out of control.
  - The fire may not produce any offensive odors.
  - If the fire gets out of control, you are liable for any damage done as well as the cost of having the fire department extinguish the fire.
- 2) Starting a fire without a burn permit is considered a misdemeanor and will result in having a citation issued by the County.
- 3) If you observe a fire, you can call the Emergency Control Center (540-434-4436) to see if the necessary permits have been issued. If not, the Center will send out the necessary officials to check on the fire.