#### REGULATION I - GENERAL PROVISIONS

- RULE 1.1 <u>Title</u>. These rules and regulations shall be known as the Rules and Regulations of the Colusa County Air Pollution Control District.
- RULE 1.2 <u>Definitions</u>. Except as otherwise specifically provided in these rules and, except where the context otherwise indicates, words used in these rules are used in exactly the same sense as the same words are used in Chapter 2, Division 20, of the Health and Safety Code.
  - a. <u>Air Contaminant</u>. "Air Contaminant" includes smoke, charred paper, dust, soot, grime, carbon, nixious acids, fumes, gases, odors, or particulate matter, or any combination thereof.
  - b. Atmosphere. "atmosphere" means the air that envelopes or surrounds the earth. Where air pollutants are emitted into a building not designed specifically as a piece of air pollution control equipment, such emission into the building shall be considered an emission into the atmosphere.
  - c. <u>Board</u>. "Board" means the Air Pollution Control Board of the Air Pollution Control District of Colusa County.
  - d. <u>Combustible Refuse</u>. "Combustible Refuse" is any solid or liquid combustible waste material containing carbon in a free or combined state.
  - e. <u>Combustion Contaminants</u>. "Combustion Contaminants" are particulate matter discharged into the atmosphere from the burning of any kind of material containing carbon in a free or combined state.
  - f. Condensed Fumes. "Condensed Fumes" are minute, solid particles generated by the condensation of vapors from solid matter after volatilization from the molten state, or may be generated by sublimination, distillation, calcination, or chemical reaction, when these processes create air-borne particles.
  - g. <u>Control Officer</u>. "Control Officer" means the Air Pollution Control Officer of the Air Pollution Control District of Colusa County.
  - h. <u>District</u>. "District" is the Air Pollution Control District of Colusa County.
  - i. <u>Dusts</u>. "Dusts" are minute, solid particles released into the air by natural forces or by machanical processes such as crushing, grinding, milling, drilling, demolishing, shoveling, conveying, covering, bagging, sweeping, or other similar processes.

- j. <u>Hearing Board</u>. "Hearing Board" means the Hearing Board of the Air Pollution Control District of Colusa County.
- k. Multiple-Chamber Incinerator. "Multiple-Chamber Incinerator" is any article, machine, equipment, contrivance, structure or any part of a structure used to dispose of combustible refuse by burning, consisting of three or more refractory lined combustion furnaces in series, physically seperated by refactory walls, interconnected by gas passage ports or ducts, and employing adequate design parameters necessary for maximum combustion of the material to be burned. The refractories shall have a Pyrometric Cone equivalent of at least 17, tested according to the method described in the American Society for Testing Material, Method C-24.
- 1. Orchard or Citrus Grove Heater. "Orchard or Citrus Grove Heater" means any article, machine, equipment, bowl burner, or other contrivance, burning any type fuel, capable of emitting air contaminants, used or capable of being used for the purpose of giving protection from frost damage in areas not completely enclosed; the word "Orchard" includes orchard or plant nurseries.
- m. <u>Particulate Matter</u>. "Particulate Matter" is any material, except uncombined water, which exists in a finely divided form as a liquid or solid at standard conditions.
- n. <u>Person</u>. "Person" means any person, firm, association, organization, partnership, business trust, corporation, company, contractor, supplies, installer, user or owner, or any state or local governmental agency or public district or any officer or employee thereof.
- o. Process Weight Per Hour. "Process Weight" is the total weight of all materials introduced into any specific process which process may cause any discharge into the atmosphere. Solid fuels charged will be considered as part of the process weight, but liquid and gaseous fuels and combustion air will not. "The Process Weight Per Hour" will be derived by dividing the total process weight by the number of hours in one complete operation from the beginning of any given process to the completion thereof, excluding any time during which the equipment is idle.
- p. <u>Regulation</u>. "Regulation" means one of the major subdivisions of the Rules of the Air Pollution Control District of Colusa County.
- q. Rule. "Rule" means a rule of the Air Pollution Control District of Colusa County.
- r. <u>Section</u>. "Section" means section of the Health and safety Code of the State of California unless some other statute is specifically mentioned.

- s. Standard Conditions. "Standard Conditions" as used in these regulations, are a gas temperature of 60 degree Fahrenheit and a gas pressure of 14.7 pounds per square inch absolute. Results of all analyses and tests shall be calculated or reported at this gas temperature and pressure.
- t. Open Outdoor Fire. "Open Outdoor Fire" as used in this regulation means combustion of any combustible refuse or other material of any type outdoors in the open air not in any enclosure, where the products of combustion are not directed through a flue.
- u. Residential Rubbish. "Residential Rubbish" means refuse originating from residential uses and includes wood, paper, cloth, cardboard, tree trimmings, leaves, lawn clippings, and dry plants.
- v. <u>Institutional Facility</u>. "Institutional Facility" means any hospital boarding home, school, corporation yard, or like facility.
- w. Source Operation. "Source operation" means the last operation preceding the emission of an air contaminant, which operation (a) results in the separation of the air contaminant from the process materials or in the conversion of the process materials into air contaminants, as in the case of combustion of fuel; and (b) is not an air pollution abatement operation.

RULE 1.3 <u>Confidential Information</u>. All investigations conducted, and information obtained by the Control Officer, except date or information on amount of emission and percentage control, shall be confidential, and shall not be disclosed without prior written consent of the person or persons owning or operating the propert affected.

- a. Nothing contained in this rule shall limit the Control Officer's use of any material, investigation data, or information in any proceedings before the Hearing Board, the Control Board, or any Court of competent jurisdiction.
- b. The unauthorized disclosure of such confidential information shall constitute a misdemeanor.

RULE 1.4 <u>Enforcement</u>. These rules and regulations shall be enforced by the Control Officer under authority of Health and Safety Code, Section 24224 (b) Article 2, and Sections 24260, 24262, Article 4; and all officers empowered by Section 24221, Article 2.

RULE 1.5 <u>Validity</u>. If any regulation, rule, subdivision, sentence, clause, or phrase of these Rules and Regulations is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of these Rules and Regulations. The Air Pollution Control Board hereby declares that it would have adopted these Rules and Regulations and every regulation, rule, subdivision, sentence, clause, and phrase thereof irrespective of the fact that any one or more regulations, rules, subdivisions, sentences, clauses, or phrases be declared unconstitutional or invalid.

RULE 1.6 Air Resources Board Power to Supercede. Approval by the Air Resource Board of any variance to these rules and regulations shall supercede the rules and regulations promulgated by the Colusa County Air Pollution Control District.

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# RULES AND REGULATIONS COLUSA AIR POLLUTION CONTROL DISTRICT

- A. "Agricultural burning" means open outdoor fires used in agricultural operations, in the growing of crops or raising of fowls or animals, forest management, or range improvement, or used in improvement of land for wildlife and game habitat.
- B. "Open burning in agricultural operations in the growing of crops or raising of fowls or animals" or open burning "Ag Waste" means:
  - 1. The burning in the open of materials produced wholly from operations in the growing and harvesting of crops or raising of fowls or animals for the primary purpose of making a profit, of providing a livelihood, or of conducting agricultural research or instruction by an educational institution, and
  - 2. In connection with operations qualifying under Subdivision 1:
    - a. The burning of grass and weeds in or adjacent to fields in cultivation or being prepared for cultivation: and
    - b. The burning of material not produced wholly from such operations, but which are intimately related to the growing or harvesting of crops and which are used in the field. Examples are fertilizer and pesticide sacks or containers, where the sacks or containers are emptied in the field.
    - c. "Range improvement burning" means the use of open fires to remove vegetation for a wildlife, game or livestock habitat or for the initial establishment of an agricultural practice on previously uncultivated land.

- d. "Forest management burning" means the use of open fires, as

  part of a forest management practice, to remove forest debris.

  Forest management practices include timber operations, silvicultural practices or forest protection practices.
- e. "Timber operations" means cutting or removal of timber or other forest vegetation.
- f. "Silvicultural" means the establishment, development, care and reproduction of stands of timber.
- g. "Brush treated" means that the material to be burned has been felled, crushed or uprooted with mechanical equipment, or has been desiccated with herbicides.
- h. "Board" means the State Air Resources Board, or any person authorized to act on its behalf.
- "Designated Agency" means any agency designated by the Board as having authority to issue agricultural burning permits. The
   U. S. Forest Service and the California Division of Forestry are so designated within their respective areas of jurisdiction.
- j. A "no-burn" day means any day on which agricultural burning is prohibited by the Board.
- k. A "permissive-burn" day means any day on which agricultural burning is not prohibited by the Board.
- 1. "District" means the Colusa County Air Pollution Control District.
- m. Approved ignition devices Includes those instruments or materials that will ignite open fires for agricultural burning without the production of black smoke by the ignition device. This includes such items as liquid petroleum gas, butane, propane, or pressurized diesel fuel oil burners, and flares, but does not include

the use of tires, tar paper, oil, and other similar materials.

#### AGRICULTURAL BURNING

### Advance Burning Notices

Permissive burn, no-burn notices will be made available up to 48 hours in advance for range improvement burns if the permitee notifies, through the designated agency, the Board and the District in writing seven days prior to the proposed burn.

The following information is required on the notification:

- A. Elevation of burn area.
- B. Acreage of burn
- C. Location (township, range, sections)
- D. Name of nearest city
- E. Distance and direction to nearest city
- F. County in which burn located
- G. Proposed date of burn
- H. Amount of acreage treated (if/range improvement burn)
- I. Persons to be notified, organizations and phone numbers

The burning notice will be available up to 48 hours in advance of the burn. If a no-burn notice is issued, the advance notice will continue until a permissive-burn notice is issued.

An advisory outlook will be available up to 72 hours in advance of the burn.

The Board may cancel advance notices issued more than 24 hours in advance of the burn if, for compelling reasons, this action is necessary to maintain suitable air quality.

# Range Improvement Burning

The following are minimum provisions relating to Range Improvement

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  - d. A general description of the facility.
  - e. The nature of the business.
  - f. The number and description of the contaminant producing items involved.
  - g. Any other pertinent information required by the Air Pollution Control Officer relating to the emission of air pollutants.
- RULE 2.3 Every person who is subject to these rules and regulations may be served with notices, including notices of hearing before the Hearing Board, by Certified Mail, addressed to the address contained in the registration file with the Control Officer.

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the new source can be expected to comply with all the applicable state laws and District rules and regulations.

#### RULE 2.5. Permits Required.

- a. Authority to Construct. Any person building, erecting, altering or replacing any article, machine, equipment or other contrivance, the use of which may cause the issuance of air contaminants or the use of which may eliminate or reduce or control the issuance of air contaminants, shall first obtain written authorization for such construction from the Air Pollution Control Officer. An authority to construct shall remain in effect until the permit to operate the equipment for which the application was filed is granted or denied or the application is cancelled.
- b. Permit to Operate. Before any article, machine, equipment or other contrivance described in subsection (a) above may be operated or used, or leased or rented for operation or use, a written permit shall be obtained from the Air Pollution Control Officer. No permit to operate or use shall be granted either by the Air Pollution Control Officer or the Hearing Board for any article, machine, equipment or contrivance described in subsection (a) above, constructed or installed without authorization as required by subsection (a) above, until the information required pursuant to these Rules and Regulations is presented to the Air Pollution Control Officer.
- RULE 2.6. Exemptions. These are hereby exempted from the registration and permit requirements:
  - a. Vehicles as defined by the Vehicle Code of the State of California and aircraft.
  - b. Internal combustion engines.
  - c. Combustion equipment utilized exclusively in connection with any structure, which structure is designed for and used exclusively as a dwelling for not more than four families.
  - d. Comfort air conditioning or comfort ventilating system which is not designed to remove air contaminants generated or released from specific units or equipment.
  - e. Equipment used exclusively for enclosed space heating, other than boilers.
  - f. Equipment used for the purpose of preparing food, in restaurants, bakeries, and confectioneries.
  - g. Steam generators, steam superheaters, water heaters, and closed heat transfer systems that are fired exclusively with one of the following:

- 1. Natural gas
- 2. Liquefied petroleum gas
- 3. A combination of natural gas and liquefied petroleum gas.
- h. All agricultural equipment, other than orchard heaters emitting more than one (1) gram per minute of unconsumed solid carbonaceous matter.
- i. Self-propelled mobile construction equipment, other than pavement burners, used in grading, leveling, paving or other similar operation.

The exemptions set forth above do not supersede the provisions hereinafter provided in Regulation  ${\tt IV}$ .

## RULE 2.7 Standards for Granting Applications for Permits.

- a. The Air Pollution Control Officer shall deny authorization to construct, or permit to operate except as provided in the "Exemptions" above, if the applicant does not show that every article, machine, equipment or other contrivance, the use of which may cause the issuance of air contaminants, or the use of which may eliminate or reduce or control the issuance of air contaminants, is so designed, controlled, or equipped with such air pollution control equipment that it may be expected to operate without emitting or without causing to be emitted air contaminants in violation of all applicable state and local regulations.
- b. No authority to construct or modify shall be granted unless the applicant shows to the satisfaction of the Air Pollution Control Officer that the new source, as designed or modified, does not endanger maintenance or attainment of any applicable ambient air quality standard.
- c. Before authorization to construct or permit to operate is granted, the Air Pollution Control Officer may require the applicant to provide and maintain such facilities as are necessary for sampling and test purposes in order to secure information that will disclose the nature, extent, quantity or degree of air contaminants discharged into the atmosphere from the article, machine, equipment, or orther contrivance described in the authorization to construct or permit to operate. In the event of such a requirment, the Air Pollution Control Officer shall notify the applicant in writing of the required size, number, and location of sampling holes; the size and location of the sampling platform;

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  applicant in writing of the required size, number, and location
  of sampling holes; the size and location of the sampling platform;
  the access to the sampling platform, and the utilities for
  operating the sampling and testing equipment. The platform and
  access shall be contructed in accordance with the General Industry
  Safety Orders of the State of California.
- b. In acting upon a Permit to Operate, if the Air Pollution Officer finds that the article, machine, equipment or other contrivance has been constructed not in accordance with the Authorization to Construct, he shall deny the Permit to Operate. The Air Pollution Control Officer shall not accept any further application for Permit to Operate the article, machine, equipment or other contrivance so

constructed until he finds that the article, machine, equipment or other contrivance has been reconstructed in accredance with the Authorization to Construct.

The fact that an authorization to construct or modify or a permit to operate an article, machine, equipment or other contrivance described therein shall have been issued by the Air Pollution Control Officer shall not be an endorsement of such article, machine, or other contrivance nor shall it be deemed or construed to be a warranty, quarantee or representation on the part of the Air Pollution Control Officer that emission standards may not be exceeded by such article machine, equipment, or other contrivance. In every instance the person, firm or corporation to whom such authorization or permit is issued shall be and remain responsible under these regulations for each and every instance wherein emission standards are exceeded by the article, machine, equipment or contrivance described in the permit, and the fact of issuance or authorization shall not be a defense to or mitigation of any charge of violation.

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# Rule 2.7B Conditional Approval

The Air Pollution Control Officer may issue an authorization to construct or a permit to operate, subject to conditions which will bring the operation of any article, machine, equipment or other contrivance within the permit standards of these Regulations, in which case the conditions shall be specified in writing.

Commencing work under such an authorization to construct, or operation under such a permit to operate, shall be deemed acceptance to all the conditions so specified. The Air Pollution Control Officer shall issue an authorization to construct or a permit to operate with revised conditions upon receipt of a new application, if the applicant demonstrates that the article, machine, equipment or other contrivance can operate within the permit standards under the revised conditions.

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#### REGULATION IV - PROHIBITIONS

RULE 4.1 <u>Prohibitions under State Law</u>. The provisions of Article 3, Chapter 2, Division 20 of the State of California Health and Safety Code, entitled Prohibitions, are applicable within the boundaries of the Colusa County Air Pollution Control District.

RULE 4.2 Analyses Required. The Control Officer at any time may require from any person subject to the regulations of the Board, such information at analyses as will disclose the nature, extent, quantity or degree of air contaminants which are or may be discharged by such source and may require that such disclosures be certified by a professional engineer registered in the State. In addition to such report, the Control Officer may request the Air Pollution Control Board to hire a registered professional engineer to make an independent study and report as to the nature, extent, quantity and degree of any air contaminants which are or may be discharged from the source. An engineer so designated is authorized to inspect any article, machine, equipment or other contrivance necessary to make the inspection and report.

- RULE 4.3 <u>Ringelmann Chart</u>. A person shall not discharge into the atmosphere from any single source of emission whatsoever, any air contaminant for a period or periods aggregating more than 3 minutes in any one hour which is:
  - a. As dark or darker in shade as that designated as No. 2 on the Ringelmann Chart, as published by the United States Bureau of Mines, or
  - b. Of such opacity as to obscure an observer's view to a degree equal to or greater than does smoke described in subsection (a) of this Rule.
  - RULE 4.4 Exceptions. The provisions of Rule 4.3 do not apply to:
    - a. Smoke from fires set by or permitted by any public officer, if such fire is set or permission given in the performance of the official duty of such officer, and such fire in the opinion of such officer is necessary.
      - 1. For the purpose of the prevention of a fire or health hazard which cannot be abated by any other means, or
      - 2. The instruction of public employees and paid or volunteer firemen's methods of fighting fire.
    - b. Smoke from fires set pursuant to permit on property used for for industrial purposes for the purpose of instruction of employees in methods of fighting fire.
    - c. Smoke from open burning for which a permit has been issued under the provisions of Rule 4.8.

- d. Agricultural operations in the growing of crops or raising of fowl or animals.
- e. The use of an orchard or citrus grove heater which does not produce unconsumed solid carbonaceous matter at a rate in excess of one (1) gram per minute. State law provides that this exception will no longer be applicable on and after the 61st day following adjournment of the 1972 regular session of the State Legislature.
- f. The use of other equipment in agricultural operations in the growing of crops, or the raising of fowl or animals.
- g. Emission which result from equipment breakdown. The person responsible for such emission shall, with all practible speed, initiate and complete appropriate action to correct the condition causing such emissions and reduce the frequency of occurrence of such condition.
- h. Smoke or fumes which result from acts of God.
- RULE 4.5 Nuisance. A person shall not discharge from any source whatsoever such quantities of air contaminants or other material which cause injury, detriment, nuisance or annoyance to any considerable number of persons or to the public or which endanger the comfort, repose, health or safety of any such persons or the public or which cause or have a natural tendency to cause injury or damage to business or property.
- RULE 4.6 Additional Exception. The provisions of Rule 4.5 do not apply to odors emanating from agricultural operations in the growing of crops or raising of fowl or animals.
- RULE 4.7 <u>Wet Plumes</u>. Where the presence of uncombined water is the only reason for the failure of an emission to meet the limitation of Rule 4.3, that rule shall not apply.
- RULE 4.8 Open Burning. No person shall burn any refuse or other material in an open outdoor fire within the boundaries of the Colusa County Air Pollution Control District except the following activities are permitted on "Burn Days".
  - a. When such fire is set or permission for such fire is given in performance of the official duty of any public officer, and such fire in the opinion of such officer is necessary.
    - 1. For the purpose of the prevention of a fire or health hazard which cannot be abated by any other means, or
    - 2. For the instruction of public or industrial employees in methods of fire fighting.

- b. Conducting agricultural operations in the growing of crops, or raising of fowl, animals, or bees on a farm.
- c. Safety flares for the combustion of waste gases.
- d. When the material to be burned is residential rubbish and originates on and is being burned on premises of a single or two family dwelling not served by an organized solid waste disposal service.
- e. When the material being burned is residential rubbish and originates on and is being burned upon premises of a single or two family dwelling constituting a separate parcel of land under one ownership of a gross size of 5 acres or more.
- f. When the substance being burned is dry native grass or weeds in place upon any of one of the following premises:
  - 1. Any ditch, canal, or the banks thereof.
  - 2. The right-of-way or other premises of any public utility of public agency.
- g. Burning on burn days only.
- RULE 4.8A Other Open Burning. Fires used only for cooking of food for human being or for recreational purposes are exempt from Regulation 4.8.
- RULE 4.9 <u>Incinerator Burning</u>. Except for the burning of material meeting criteria listed in Rule 4.8 d and except for refuse originating in one and two family residences, a person shall not burn any combustible refuse in any incinerator within the boundaries of the Colusa County Air Pollution Control District except in a multiple-chamber incinerator as described in Rule 1.2 k, or in equipment found by the Air Pollution Control Officer to be equally effective for the purpose of air pollution control. Incinerator burning shall also be in compliance with the district or city fire department rules and regulations.
- RULE 4.10 Particulate Matter. Except as otherwise provided for in Health and Safety Code Section 24245 and Rules 4.4 and 4.8, a person shall not release or discharge into the atmosphere from any source or single processing unit whatsoever, dust, fumes, or particulate matter emissions in excess of 0.3 grains per cubic foot of gas at standard conditions.
- RULE 4.11 <u>Dust and Condensed Fumes</u>. A person shall not discharge in any one hour from any source whatsoever dust or fumes in total quantities in excess of the amounts shown in the following table:

To use the following table, take the process weight per hour as such is defined in the attached definitions. Then find this figure on the table, opposite which is the maximum number of pounds of contaminants which may be discharged into the atmosphere in any one hour. As an example, if A has a process which emits contaminants into the atmosphere and which process takes 4 hours to complete, he will divide the weight of all materials in the specific process, in this example, 2,400 lbs. by 4 giving a process weight per hour of 600 lbs. The table shows that A may not discharge more than 1.83 lbs. in any one hour during the process. Interpolation of the data in the table for process weights up to 60,000 pounds/hour

ALLOWABLE RATE OF EMISSION BASED ON PROCESS WEIGHT RATE

Process Weight		Rate of	Process Weight		Rate of
Rate		Emission	Rate		Emission
Lb/Hr	Tons/Hr	Lb/Hr	Lb/Hr	Tons/Hr	Lb/Hr
100	0.05	0.551	16,000	8.00	16.5
200	0.10	0.877	18,000	9.00	17.9
400	0.20	1.40	20,000	10.	19.2
600	0.30	1.83	30,000	15.	25.2
800	0.40	2.22	40,000	20.	30.5
1,000	0.50	2.58	50,000	25.	35.4
1,500	0.75	3.38	60,000	30.	40.0
2,000	1.00	4.10	70,000	35.	41.3
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3,000	1.50	5.38	90,000	45.	43.6
3,500	1.75	5.96	100,000	50.	44.6
4,000	2.00	6.52	120,000	60.	46.3
5,000	2.50	7.58	140,000	70.	47.8
6,000	3.00	8.56	160,000	80.	49.0
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E = rate of emission in pounds/hour.

P = process weight rate in tons/hour.

RULE 4.12 Specific Contaminants. A person shall not discharge into the atmosphere from any single source of emission whatsoever, any one or more of the contaminants, in any state or combination thereof, exceeding in concentration at the point of discharge:

- a. Sulphur compounds calculated as sulphur dioxide  $(SO_2)$  0.2 per cent, by volume.
- b. Combustion contaminants: 0.3 grains per cubic foot of gas calculated to 12 per cent of carbon dioxide  $(\mathrm{CO}_2)$  at standard conditions, except during the start of an operation or change in energy source, during the time necessary to bring the combustion process up to operating level. In measuring the combustion contaminants from incinerators used to dispose of combustible refuse by burning, the carbon dioxide  $(\mathrm{CO}_2)$  produced by combustion of any liquid or gaseous fuels shall be excluded from the calculation to 12 per cent of carbon dioxide  $(\mathrm{CO}_2)$ .

### RULE 4.13 Prohibitions Regarding Orchard or Citrus Fruit Heaters.

- a. No new orchard or citrus heater produced or manufactured shall be sold, for use against frost damage unless it has been approved by the Air Resources Board. No person shall use any orchard or citrus heater after January 1, 1975, unless the Air Pollution Control District adopts a date between January 1, 1973 and January 1, 1975, unless it has been approved by the Air Resources Board or does not produce more than one gram per minute of unconsumed solid carbonaceous material.
- b. Open fires in orchards or citrus groves are prohibited except that the use of commercially prepared charcoal briquettes or similar substances designed for the purpose is permitted.
- c. The use of rubber tires or any rubber products in any combustion process in connection with any orchard or citrus grove heating is hereby prohibited.

RULE 4.14 Additional Prohibitions. Notwithstanding any other provision of these rules, the burning of tires, rubber products, car bodies or parts, demolition material, or insecticide material containers is prohibited within the district at any time, unless said burning is performed in equipment meeting the requirements of Rule 4.9.

RULE 4.15 Reduction of Animal Matter. A person shall not operate or use any article, machine, equipment or other contrivance for the reduction of animal matter unless all gases, vapor and gas-entrained effluents from such an article, machine, equipment or other contrivance are:

a. Incinerated at temperatures of not less than 1200 degrees Fahrenheit for a period of not less than 0.3 second; or

b. Processed in such a manner determined by the Air Pollution Control Officer to be equally, or more, effective for the purposes of air pollution control than (a) above.

A person incinerating or processing gases, vapors or gas-entrained effluents pursuant to this rule shall provide, properly install and maintain in calibration, in good working order and in operation devices, as specified in the Permit to Construct or to Operate or as specified by the Air Pollution Control Officer, for indicating temperature, pressure or other operating conditions.

For the purpose of this prohibition, "reduction" is defined as any heated process, including rendering, cooking, drying, dehydrating, digesting, evaporating and protein concentrating.

The provisions of this rule shall not apply to any article, machine, equipment or other contrivance used exclusively for the processing of food for human consumption.

RULE 4.16 <u>Gasoline Storage</u>: The following sections of the State of California Health and Safety Code, and any future amendments thereto, are part of these Rules and Regulations by reference: Section 39068.2 et seq., Article 2, Chapter 3, Part 1, Division 26.

RULE 4.17 <u>Circumvention</u>: A person shall not build, erect, install, or use any article, machine, equipment or other contrivance, the use of which, without resulting in a reduction in the total release of air contaminants to the atmosphere, reduces or conceals an emission which would otherwise constitute a violation of the Health and Safety Code of the State of California or of these Rules and Regulations. This Rule shall not apply to cases in which the only violation involved is of Section 24243 of the Health and Safety Code of the State of California.

When the presence of uncombined water is the only reason for the failure of an emission to meet the limitation of Prohbition I that rule shall not apply. The burden of proof which establishes the application of the rule shall be upon the person seeking to come within its provisions.

RULE 4.18 Separation of Emissions. If air contaminants from a single source operation are emitted through two or more emission points, the total emitted quantity of any air contaminant limited in this Regulation cannot exceed the quantity which would be the allowable emission through a single emission point; the total emitted quantity of any such air contaminant shall be taken as the product of the highest concentration measured in any of the emission points and the combined exhaust gas volume from all emission points, unless the person responsible for the source operation establishes, to the satisfaction of the Air Pollution Control Officer, the correct total emitted quantity.

### RULE 4.19 Combination of Emissions.

a. If air contaminants from two or more source operations are combined prior to emission and there are adequate and reliable means reasonably susceptible to confirmation and use by the Air Pollution Control Officer for establishing a separation of the components of the combined emission to indicate the

nature, extent, quantity and degree of emission arising from each such source operations, then all of the applicable prohibitions shall apply to each such source operation seperately.

- b. If air contaminants from two or more source operations are combined prior to emission, and the combined emissions cannot be separated according to the requirements of Part a of the prohibition, then all applicable prohibitions shall be applied to the combined emission as if it originated in a single source operation, subject to the most stringent limitations and requirements placed by these prohibitions on any of the source operations whose air contaminants are so combined. Source operation means the last operation preceeding the emission of an air contaminant, which operation
- c. Results in the separation of the air contaminants from the processed materials or in the conversion of the processed materials into air contaminants, as in the case of the combustion of fuel; and
- d. Is not an Air Pollution Abatement operation.

RULE 4.20 Emission Control for Used Motor Vehicles. Each 1955 through 1962 model year used car in the District shall be required to be equipped with an approved crankcase emission control device at the time of transfer of ownership.

### REGULATION V - PROCEDURE BEFORE THE HEARING BOARD

- RULE 5.1 Applicable Articles of the Health & Safety Code. The provisions of Article 5 and Article 6, Chapter 2, Division 20 of the State of California Health and Safety Code, respectively entitled Variances and Procedure are applicable within the boundaries of the Colusa County Air Pollution Control District.
- RULE 5.2 General. This regulation shall apply to all hearings before the Hearing Board of the Air Pollution Control District.
- RULE 5.3 Filing Petitions. Request for a hearing shall be initiated by the filing of a petition in triplicate with the Clerk of the Hearing Board, and by the payment to said clerk of a fee of \$25.00.

No fee shall be required for the filing of a petition by a public agency or a public officer acting in the scope of his official capacity.

- RULE 5.4 Contents of Petitions. Every petition shall state:
  - a. The name, address, and telephone number of the petitioner, or other person authorized to receive service of notices;
  - b. Whether the petitioner is an individual, co-partnership, corporation, or other entity, and names and addresses of partners, if a co-partnership, names and addresses of the persons in control, if other entity;

testimony and proceedings had and presented at the hearing shall be made by a person designated by the Hearing Board for that purpose; or 2. Any interested person, including the District, may at his own cost provide a certified shorthand reporter, satisfactory to the Hearing Board, who shall prepare a verbatim transcript of all the evidence, testimony, and proceedings had and presented at the hearing.

The original and one copy of such transcript, each certified to by the reporter as to its accuracy, shall be filed with the Hearing Board within 30 days from the closing date of the hearing, unless required by the Board prior to that time. No matter shall be deemed submitted under this regulation until such transcript has been filed with the Hearing Board, unless otherwise ordered by the Hearing Board.

- RULE 5.13 Preliminary Matters. Preliminary matters such as setting a date for a hearing, granting continuances, approving petitions for filing, allowing amendments and other preliminary rulings not determinative of the merits of the case, may be made by the Chairman or any two members of the Hearing Board without a hearing or meeting of the Hearing Board and without notice.
- RULE 5.14 Official Notice. The Hearing Board may take official notice of any matter which may be judicially noticed by the courts of this State.
- RULE 5.15 Continuances. The Chairman or any two members of the Hearing Board shall grant any continuance of 15 days or less, concurred in by petitioner, the Air Pollution Control Officer and by every person who has filed an answer in the action, and may grant any reasonable continuance; in either case, such action may be exparte, without a meeting of the Hearing Board and without prior notice.
- RULE 5.16 <u>Decision</u>. The decision shall be in writing, served and filed within 15 days after submission of the cause by the parties thereto, and shall contain a brief statement of facts found to be true, the determination of the issues presented, and the order of the Hearing Board. A copy shall be mailed or delivered to the Air Pollution Control Officer, the petitioner and to every person who has filed an answer or who has appeared as a party in person or by counsel at the hearing.
- RULE 5.17 Effective Date of Decision. The decision shall become effective 15 days after delivering or mailing a copy of the decision, as provided in Rule 5.16, or the Hearing Board may order that the decision shall become effective sooner.

#### REGULATION VI - AGRICULTURE BURNING

RULE 6.1 Agricultural Burning Permits. No person, knowingly shall set or permit agricultural burning for the disposal of agricultural waste unless he has a valid permit from the local agency designated by the Board in Section 6 of Rules VI. Name, location and amount of wastes burned daily must be reported to the Control Officer monthly.

- RULE 6.2 <u>Permit Form</u>. Permits issued pursuant to Rule 6.1 herein shall contain the following:
  - a. Name and address of the permittee.
  - b. Location of the proposed burning.
  - c. Acreage or estimated amount of waste to be burned.
  - d. The kind of agricultural waste to be burned.
  - e. The Statement "THIS PERMIT IS VALID ONLY ON THOSE DAYS WHICH ARE NOT PROHIBITED BY THE STATE AIR RESOURCES BOARD".
  - f. Such other information as may be required by the agency issuing the permit.
  - g. Permits shall specify the hours 9 A.M. to 3 P.M. for ignition of fires.
- RULE 6.3 No Burn Days. No person shall knowingly set or permit agricultural burning on days within a period prohibited by the California Air Resources Board pursuant to Section 39298 of the Health and Safety Code.
- RULE 6.4 Preparation of Agricultural Waste. Agricultural waste shall be dry enough to assure complete combustion, and shall be free from extraneous materials. The following are minimum standards for the preparation of agricultural waste prior to burning.
  - a. Agricultural waste shall be free of other waste such as tires, rubbish, tar paper or construction debris.
  - b. Agricultural waste shall be arranged so that it will burn with a minimum of smoke, and except for large trees, only that amount that can reasonably be expected to completely burn within the following twenty-four (24) hours shall be ignited on any one day.
  - c. Agricultural waste shall be reasonably free of dirt, soil and visible surface moisture.
  - d. To lower the moisture content of agricultural waste, the elapsed time between cutting and burning shall be:
    - 1. A minimum of three (3) days for rice straw and stubble.
    - 2. A minimum of thirty (30) days for trees, stumps, and large branches greater than six (6) inches in diameter.
    - 3. Sufficient time for other agricultural waste such as orchard prunings, small branches, stubble, vegetable

# Proposed Changes to:

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# RULE 6.4 (Change d. to read)

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#### AGRICULTURAL BURNING

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- B. Acreage of burn
- C. Location (township, range, sections)
- D. Name of nearest city
- E. Distance and direction to nearest city
- F. County in which burn located
- G. Proposed date of burn
- H. Amount of acreage treated (if range improvement burn)
- I. Persons to be notified, organizations and phone numbers

The burning notice will be available up to 48 hours in advance of the burn. If a no-burn notice is issued, the advance notice will continue until a permissive-burn notice is issued.

An advisory outlook will be available up to 72 hours in advance of the burn.

The Board may cancel advance notices issued more than 24 hours in advance of the burn if, for compelling reasons, this action is necessary to maintain suitable air quality.

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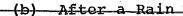
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- E. The piled wastes shall be prepared so that it will burn with a minimum of smoke; and
- F. The piled wastes shall be reasonable free of dirt and soil.
- G. Only approved ignition devices are to be used
- H. Maximum care must be taken to keep smoke from drifting into the smoke sensitive areas of district.

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#### AIR POLLUTION CONTROL DISTRICT

### COUNTY OF COLUSA CALIFORNIA

August 19, 1975

RULES FOR THE ALLOCATION OF RICE STUBBLE BURNING

Section 6.6A is added and to read as follows:

- 6.6A NOTIFICATION TO FIRE DEPARTMENT OF "BURN DAY" OR "NO BURN DAY" AT 8:00 A.M. EACH MORNING.
  - I. The below rules apply only to rice stubble burning, for farmers, from October 1 thru November 15th. All other burning will be handled as in the past.
    - 1. The farmers must first acquire a Fire Permit from the district where "stubble burn" is to occur.
    - 2. Prior to burning rice stubble, the farmer, must have authorization from the APO.
      - A. Will require Fire Permit #,
      - B. Acres to be burned that day, and
      - C. Other pertinent information, ie. certain wind direction for safety etc.
    - 3. If allotment for the day is complete the farmer's name will be put on a list for the next available "Burn Day". But the farmer must phone the APO prior to 10:00 A.M. to confirm his intentions to burn on the day designated.
    - 4. If a farmer has authorization to burn and some problem arises so he can't burn - notify the APO so his allotment can be given to another person. Arrangements will be made for a future date with the person who returned his allotment.
  - II. Fire Chief's Information.
    - 1. Information will be relayed to the respective Fire Chief's who is burning, how many acres and if there is an allotment left, by 12:00 noon. If the farmer decides at the last minute he wishes to burn he may contact either the Fire Chief or the APO for authorization on that given day. If acreage allotment is still available, he may burn stubble.
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# Rice Stubble and Straw Burning

- a. The following provision shall be satisfied by the Rules & Regulations of each District in the Basin in respect to burning rice stubble.
- b. Rice Straw Burning
  - 1. All rice harvesting shall employ a mechanical straw spreader to insure even distribution of the straw with the following exception:
    - (a) Rice straw may be left in rows provided it meets drying time criteria prior to a burn as described in Section d. of this provision.
  - 2. Rice stubble is to be ignited only by strip firing into the wind or by backfiring except where and when extreme fire hazards are declared to exist.
- c. Burning Hours
  - 1. Burning hours shall be set by individual districts but no rice straw burning shall commence before 10:00 A.M. nor after 5:00 P.M. of any day.
- d. Drying Time
  - 1. After harvest
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# f. Acreage Allotment

1. During the critical period from October 1 through
November 15 of each year, the acreage of agricultural
burning shall be reduced to 50% (i.e. one-half) of
the allotment which is permitted during other times
of the year.

### Storm\_Imminent

Add to recent Basin Plan rice straw burning during the October 1st thru November 15th period.

1. During this restricted burning period, on those days designated by the Air Resources Board as burn days and also specially designated as "storm imminent", the Air Pollution Control Officer can increase the burning allotment above the 5% limit to the maximum 10%.

- RULE 6.8 <u>Tires</u>. The use of tires for the ignition of fires is prohibited.
- RULE 6.9 <u>Fire Prevention</u>. Nothing in these rules are intended to permit open burning of agricultural wastes on days when such open burning is prohibited by public fire protection agencies for purposes of fire control or prevention.
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- RULE 6.11 Enforcement. The Air Pollution Control Officer will ensure that these regulations are complied with and shall enforce all State and local regulations regarding Air Pollution Control.
- RULE 6.12 Penalty. A violation of these regulations is a misdemeanor, punishable by imprisonment in the county jail not exceeding six months, or by fine not exceeding Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00), or both, and the cost of putting out thefire. Every day during any portion of which such Violation occurs constitutes a separate offense.

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The burning notice will be available up to 48 hours in advance of the burn. If a no-burn notice is issued, the advance notice will continue until a permissive-burn notice is issued.

An advisory outlook will be available up to 72 hours in advance of the burn.

The Board may cancel advance notices issued more than 24 hours in advance of the burn if, for compelling reasons, this action is necessary to maintain suitable air quality.

### Range Improvement Burning

The following are minimum provisions relating to Range Improvement

- A. The brush to be burned shall be treated at least six (6) months prior to the burn if determined to be economically and technically feasible by the Air Pollution Control Officer:
- B. The burn shall be ignited as rapidly as practicable within applicable fire control restrictions;
- C. Unwanted trees over six inches in diameter shall be felled prior to the burn and dried for three (3) months;
- D. Persons desiring to conduct burning primarily for the improvement of land for wildlife and game habitat shall file with the district a statement obtained from the Department of Fish and Game certifying that the burn is desirable and proper.
- E. Only approved ignition devises are to be used.
- F. Maximum care must be taken to keep smoke from drifting into the smoke sensitive areas of district.

### Forest Management Burning

The following are minimum provisions relating to forest management burning of both piled and scattered waste:

- A. The waste shall be dried for minimum periods to be specified by the designated agency;
- B. The waste shall be ignited as rapidly as practicable within applicable fire control restrictions;
- C. The wastes shall be free of tires, rubbish, tar paper or construction debris; and
- D. The waste to be burned, shall be windowed or piled where possible, unless good silvicultural practice dictates otherwise:

- E. The piled wastes shall be prepared so that it will burn with a minimum of smoke; and
- F. The piled wastes shall be reasonable free of dirt and soil.
- G. Only approved ignition devices are to be used
- H. Maximum care must be taken to keep smoke from drifting into the smoke sensitive areas of district.

Section 6.5 Restricted Burning Days. If, for any reason it becomes likely that wastes from more than 10% of the total agricultural acreage within a district will be burned on any one day, the Control Officer shall notify the local agencies designated in Section 6 that a condition of restricted burning exists. On days of restricted burning local agencies shall restrict the acreage allocated to the agency. The Control Officer shall prorate the amounts to be burned to each agency based on the estimated number of acres in the geographic area covered by the agency.

R. J. SWALLOW, Chairman of the Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

Martha Nannen, Clerk