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Harold Swiger
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Dear Mr. Swiger:

Your request for wavier of the 6:00am to 6:00pm restriction to open burning is hereby granted pursuant to ORC 1503.18C. This permission relates to prescribed burning between October 20, 2014– November 30, 2014at the following locations:

Skillet Prairie: 21.25 acres
Snail Prairie: 17.8 acres

The burning restriction only applies to the months of March, April, May, October, and November.

As required by the Division of Forestry Prescribed Fire Management Program, you or your alternate must be on site the day of the burn to oversee the fire. You will also need to have a prescribed burn plan prepared that addresses site information, purpose and objectives of the burn, personnel and equipment needs, smoke management, weather factors, firing techniques, and safety considerations. This plan is required to be on-site and followed during the prescribed burning operations.

This approval does not relieve you of securing the appropriate permission from local or EPA agencies that may have jurisdiction as well, or from any liability for damages such fire may cause.

Please relate details of your planned burn to the local (if applicable) Division of Forestry office. The local fire department with jurisdiction should also be notified the day of the burn to avoid unnecessary false alarm responses.

The Division of Forestry is requesting that all burn managers fill out a reporting form to record their burn activities. The form is located here: <http://forestry.ohiodnr.gov/prescribedfire>. Completed forms can be mailed to address on the letterhead or emailed to rxfire@dnr.state.oh.us. The information will be used to compile burn statistics for the state as well as tracking individual burn manager's experience. This experience record will be used as evidence to support continued certification for burn managers.

If you have any questions, please contact Greg Guess, state fire supervisor for the Division of Forestry at (614) 265-6702 or greg.guess@dnr.state.oh.us.

Sincerely,

Robert L. Boyles, Chief
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Cc: Greg Guess

