



City of Tangent

Your Community Newsletter

January 2014

Burning Questions?

Outdoor burning is regulated by the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ). There are two numbers you can call to find out if outdoor burning is allowed on any given day and during what hours: Tangent Fire District at 541-928-8722 checks with DEQ each morning, or you can call DEQ directly at 541-451-1904 and listen to the recorded message (option 1 is for residential).

When is Backyard Burning Allowed?

Between March 1st and June 15th, and from October 1st through December 15th, but may be prohibited on certain days due to weather conditions.

What Can I Burn On Days That Burning is Allowed ?

Yard debris: wood, needles, or leaves from plants grown and burned on the property of origin. Burn piles must be a manageable size, adequate distances from structures, and must be attended by a person with a water hose capable of extinguishing it if necessary.

What CAN'T I burn?

DEQ prohibits the burning of: tires (including tires to start a fire), plastics, decomposable garbage (e.g. organic material or paper), petroleum and petroleum-treated materials (such as pressure-treated lumber), asphalt and asphalt materials, chemicals (pesticides, cleaners, detergents, etc.), or any material that produces black or dense smoke. If you are burning on burn ban days or burning prohibited materials and someone reports you to DEQ, they have the authority to levy fines that can range from a few hundred to several thousand dollars.

Can I Use a Burn Barrel?

Burn barrels are inefficient and polluting because they produce low temperature fires and toxic smoke. This toxic smoke stays at ground level where it is easily inhaled. It is better to burn in a loosely stacked pile for better airflow and combustion.

What if Someone Complains?

Even on days that burning is allowed you may need to extinguish your fire if there is a complaint. Smoke from backyard burning can be an irritant to those with asthma, or can be more serious for those with severe respiratory diseases. If you have any questions related to outdoor burning you can call DEQ directly at 503-378-8240.

Community Events

Tangent Elementary School

January 2014 Calendar of Events

- 1/8 Early Release—2:40 pm
- 1/10 Popcorn for Sale—3 bags for \$1.00
- 1/14 PTC Meeting—3:45 pm Library
- 1/15 Early Release—2:40 pm
- 1/16 PTC Recap Meeting—6:30 pm Library
- 1/17 Cookies for Sale—3 for \$1.25
- 1/20 No School—Non Contract Day
- 1/22 Early Release—2:40 pm
- 1/23 Senior Dinner—11:30 am
- 1/24 Popcorn for Sale—3 bags for \$1.00
- 1/29 End of First Semester
Early Release—2:40 pm
- 1/30 No School—Grading Day
- 1/31 No School—Teacher Work Day

Upcoming Events:

- 2/17 School in Session-Snow Makeup Day
- 2/28 Carnival

Calendar and Meetings



PLEASE JOIN US at any and all the following listed meetings. All meetings are public and held at the City Hall—Bass Estate, *unless noted otherwise*. All times are subject to change. Meeting agendas are available at: www.cityoftangent.org. If you would like to receive agendas by e-mail or regular mail, please contact City Hall. **City Council Packets are available on line at: www.cityoftangent.org**

ONGOING CITY MEETINGS:

Planning Commission meets on 1st & 3rd THURSDAY each month, as needed. Starts at 7 p.m.

City Council Meeting meets on 2nd MONDAY each month. Work session starts at 6:30 p.m. Regular meeting starts at 7 p.m.

For more information about the city go to our Web Site: www.cityoftangent.org You will find more about:

Meeting Agendas and Minutes

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Newsletters, Utility Invoices, and Agendas are now available electronically. If you would like to help save the City some money please let Bev Manfredo know via email at bev@cityoftangent.org. She would love to add you to the growing list of citizens who have chosen this option. Thank you.

