RULE 4.2 PERMIT FEES - AGRICULTURAL BURNING
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100 GENERAL

101 **PURPOSE:** To establish permit fees to be charged to agricultural sources subject to Yolo-Solano Air Quality Management District Regulation VI.

102 **APPLICABILITY:** This rule applies to any person who conducts or allows to be conducted on property under their control open burning for agricultural operations, range improvement, wildlife habitat improvement, and/or wildland vegetation management.

200 DEFINITIONS

200 DEFINITIONS: All terms used in this Rule shall retain the definitions provided under Rule 1.1, GENERAL PROVISIONS AND DEFINITIONS, unless otherwise defined in this Rule.

201 BASE FEE: The fee paid at the time of applying for an agricultural burn permit. The base fee covers the first burn site (location) and the first five burns per calendar year.

202 BILLABLE ACREAGE: The acreage where the vegetative material came from. Roadways, fence lines, ditches, and field borders shall be considered part of the acreage billed.

203 BURN SITE: Each location where open burning occurs, including contiguous parcels under the same or common ownership or control.

204 MISCELLANEOUS BURN: All other open burning, including levee burns, ditch burns, range improvement burns, wildlife habitat improvement burns, and wildland vegetation management burns.

205 ORCHARD/VINEYARD REMOVAL BURN: Open burning of agricultural waste generated by the removal of orchards and/or vineyards, including but not limited to leaves, branches, trunks, roots, stumps, vines, and untreated stakes.

206 PRUNINGS BURN: Open burning of agricultural waste generated from the pruning of trees, orchards, and/or vineyards, including but not limited to branches, cuttings, twigs, leaves, and vines.

300 STANDARDS

301 **FEES:** No person shall open burn or authorize the open burning of agricultural crop waste or conduct any range or wildlife habitat, or wildland improvement burning without first obtaining a valid Agricultural Burn Permit from the District and paying the following annual fees:

301.1 SCHEDULE OF FEES: Each Agricultural Burn Permit shall be subject to the following fees:

a. Base Fee (paid at the time of application):

Current	Calendar Year 2023	Calendar Year 2024	Calendar Year 2025	Calendar Year 2026 Forward
$30	**$40**	**$50**	**$60**	**$70**

b. Billable acreage fees (paid at the end of the calendar year):

	Current	Calendar Year 2023	Calendar Year 2024	Calendar Year 2025	Calendar Year 2026 Forward
Prunings	**$0.85**	**$1.25**	**$1.50**	**$1.75**	**$2.00**
Field Crop Stubble	**$1.25**				
Rice Stubble	**$1.50**	**$1.50**	**$2.00**	**$3.00**	**$4.00**
Miscellaneous	**$1.00**				
Orchard/Vineyard Removal		**$4.00**	**$6.00**	**$8.00**	**$10.00**

c. Additional Burn Site Fee: **$50** for each Burn Site (after the first site); and

d. Additional Burn Fee: **$20** for each actual burn that occurs after the first 5 burns per permit per calendar year.

301.2 The above fees include the costs imposed by the Sacramento Valley Basinwide Air Pollution Control Council (BCC) of **$5.00** per permit. If the BCC fees increase, the Base Fee will increase by the corresponding amount.

400 ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS

401 **ANNIVERSARY DATE:** An Agricultural Burn Permit issued pursuant to District Rule 4.2 will be valid from January 1 through December 31 of the calendar year in which it is issued.

402 **WAIVER OF FEES:** Notwithstanding Section 301 above, the Air Pollution Control Officer may waive the fees required by this Rule when the waiver of such fees would be in the public interest and the best interest of the Air Quality Management District.

403 **NONPAYMENT OF FEES:** At the beginning of each calendar year, the permit holder will be notified of the fees due from the previous year (for acreage and per-burn fees) and the date the fees are due. If the fees are not paid by the specified due date, the District shall assess a penalty of not more than 50% of the fee due, but in an amount sufficient, in the District's determination, to pay the District's additional expenses incurred by the permittee's non-compliance. The permittee shall be notified of the fee and penalty. If the fee and penalty are not paid within 30 days after notice, any future permits may be withheld, and the permittee will be notified. Withheld permits may be reinstated upon payment of the applicable permit fee and any penalties.