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NOTICE FROM THE FIRE CHIEF December 2, 2024

Effective immediately, the previous ban on outdoor fires has been lifted.

While recent rain and cooler temperatures have reduced the risk of fire spread, we remind residents that the region remains in a critical drought.

The following types of fires are now permitted **only for the purpose of cooking food**:

- Campfires
- Chimineas
- Fire pits

Important Guidelines:

- The Rockland Fire Department reserves the right to extinguish or order the extinguishment of any fire deemed a nuisance.
- Yard waste burning (sticks and small branches) is permitted only during the designated season: January 15th through May 1st.
- Burning leaves is strictly prohibited at all times.
- Allowed materials: Split logs or firewood.
- **Prohibited materials**: Construction debris and pallets.

Please ensure fires remain small and manageable, and always have a garden hose readily available for safety.

For questions or concerns, please contact:

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