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PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

Franklin County Emergency Management would like to remind our neighbors to use caution when burning.

Escaped debris burning is one of the leading causes of wildfires in Florida.

ALWAYS:

- Have a water hose near to extinguish the fire as needed.
- Clear an area down to bare soil around your pile to prevent the fire from spreading.
- Cover a non-combustible container with wire mesh to keep sparks from flying out and starting new fires.
- Check with your local city and county officials to find out if there are any restrictions in your area.
- Be sure to contact Florida Forest Service for information on rules and laws in your area before you burn. Some types of burning require an authorization from the Florida Forest Service.

NEVER:

- Leave a fire unattended.
- Burn within 25FT of forests, 50FT from paved public roads, 25FT from your house or 150FT from other occupied buildings.

Be sure to visit http://www.freshfromflorida.com/Divisions-Offices/Florida-Forest-Service/Wildland-Fire/Fire-Prevention for more information on Wildfire Prevention.