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ALABAMA FORESTRY COMMISSION FOREST PROTECTION DIVISION

NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

AGENCY NAME: Alabama Forestry Commission

RULE NO. & TITLE: 390-X-6-.06 Minimum Standards For Prescribed Burning Plans [New Rule]

INTENDED ACTION: To adopt a new rule.

<u>SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION:</u> This new rule would specify the minimum content requirements for prescribed burning plans in Alabama.

<u>TIME, PLACE, MANNER OF PRESENTING VIEWS</u>: Views may be presented orally or in writing on or before April 6, 2015. Such input should be addressed to John Goff, Forest Protection Division Chief, Alabama Forestry Commission, 513 Madison Avenue, Montgomery, Alabama 36104.

FINAL DATE FOR COMMENT AND COMPLETION OF NOTICE: April 6, 2015

CONTACT PERSON AT AGENCY: John Goff, Forest Protection Division Chief, Alabama Forestry Commission, 513 Madison Avenue, Montgomery, Alabama 36104, (334) 240-9335.

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ALABAMA FORESTRY COMMISSION FOREST PROTECTION DIVISION

CHAPTER 390-X-6 PRESCRIBED BURNING CERTIFICATION AND PRESCRIPTION

Chapter 390-X-06-.06 Minimum Standards for Prescribed Burning Plans [NEW RULE].

- 1. Personal information to include:
 - (a) Name of property owner
 - (b) Owner's mailing address
 - (c) Owner's phone number
 - (d) Same information on individual preparing the plan and/or executing the burn
 - (e) Prescribed burn manager certification number
- 2. Description of area to be burned to include:
 - (a) County
 - (b) Section, township, range
 - (c) Acres to be burned
 - (d) Type and size of overstory
 - (e) Type and size of understory
 - (f) Fuel type and amount
 - (g) Topography
- 3. Purpose of burn
- 4. Pre-burn information to include:
 - (a) Needed manpower and equipment
 - (b) Firing techniques to be used
 - (c) List of areas around site that could be adversely impacted by smoke from burn (as determined by the publication "A Smoke Screening System for Prescribed Fires in Alabama")
 - (d) Special precautions taken
- 5. Range of desired weather information to include:
 - (a) Surface wind speed and direction
 - (b) Minimum and maximum relative humidity
 - (c) Maximum temperature
 - (d) Transport wind speed and direction
 - (e) Minimum mixing height
 - (f) Dispersion index
- 6. Starting time and completion of ignition
- 7. Sketch of area to be burned
- 8. Signature of burn manager, dated and notarized or witnessed
- 9. Burn permit number

Author: John Goff

Statutory Authority: Code of Ala. 1975, §§ 9-3-9, 9-13-273(c)

History: New Rule proposed: February 27, 2015.