



Crop Residue Burning



STATE OF IDAHO
DEPARTMENT OF
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

Crop Residue Burning and Smoke Management

Open burning of crop residue is a method used by growers in Idaho and many other areas of the country to improve yields, reduce the need for herbicides and pesticides, reduce fire hazards, and control disease, weeds, and pests.

Crop residue burning, like any other form of burning, creates smoke, which can endanger public health.

To minimize the health impacts of smoke generated by crop residue burning, state law and rules govern when, where, and how crop residue burning may be conducted in the state. The Idaho Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) is the state agency assigned by the Idaho Legislature to manage this practice on lands other than the five Indian Reservations in Idaho. (For information on field burning on reservations in Idaho, contact individual Tribes.)

Procedures Growers Must Follow

- Before Burning: Attend Training
- Before Burning: Register, Notify DEQ When You are Ready to Burn
- Before and During Burning: Keep in Touch
- After Burning: Report to DEQ
- Pay fees upon receipt of invoice

Questions or comments?

Call the Crop Residue Burning Hotline
at 1-866-224-2456
or contact the DEQ Regional Office
nearest you (located on DEQ's website).

For More Information

Crop Residue Burning

www.deq.idaho.gov/crop-residue-burning

Rules for the Control of Air Pollution in Idaho

<http://adminrules.idaho.gov/rules/current/58/0101.pdf>

