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## Ascension Parish Government Lifts Parish Wide Burn Ban

Ascension Parish per the authority of the Louisiana State Fire Marshal's Office is opting out of the burn ban effective today 9/17/2021.

The ban was originally put in place after Hurricane Ida by the Louisiana State Fire Marshal's Office calling for a cease and desist on all private burning for parishes including Ascension.

Parish President Clint Cointment is lifting the ban, but asking those who plan to take part in private burning in the parish to do so safely.

Ascension Parish's Safety and Security Director Chief James LeBlanc asks that the following is practiced as the ban is lifted.

- Check for local burn bans or restrictions before conducting any open burning.
- Keep fire a minimum of 75 feet from all buildings.
- Never use gasoline, kerosene, or any other flammable liquid to start the fire.
- Do not leave a fire unattended.
- Have fire extinguishment materials on hand, including a water supply, shovels, and rakes.
- Be prepared to extinguish your fire if the winds pick up.
- DO NOT delay a call for help – call the fire department immediately at the first sign of the fire getting out of control.