BURN / DO NOT BURN CHECKLIST

IMPORTANT: Any response of NO indicates a DO NOT BURN situation. Do not proceed until the issue has been resolved.

1. Burn Boss. Is the Burn Boss on site for the proposed burn?

☐ YES ☐ NO

2. Prescribed Burn Plan. Has a written prescribed burn plan been prepared for the proposed burn that includes the minimum criteria established by the Texas Prescribed Burning Board?

☐ YES ☐ NO

3. Safety Requirements. Are all safety requirements met for the proposed burn?

☐ YES ☐ NO

4. Personnel and Equipment. Are all planned personnel and equipment on site?

☐ YES ☐ NO

5. Required Notifications. Have all required entities in the county where the burn will take place been notified?

Agency / Entity	YES	NO	N/A
a. County Sheriff's Dispatch Office	☐	☐	
b. Local Fire Department(s)	☐	☐	☐

If burning during a County Burn Ban, have the following entities been notified?

Agency / Entity	YES	NO	N/A
County Judge	☐	☐	☐
County Commissioners Court	☐	☐	☐
Texas Forest Service	☐	☐	☐
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ)	☐	☐	☐

6. Burn Ban Authorization. If burning during a County Burn Ban, is written authorization to burn attached to the burn plan, or has the County Judge signed the burn plan?

☐ YES ☐ NO ☐ N/A

7. Fire Suppression Briefing. Have all necessary fire suppression units been briefed on the burn plan?

☐ YES ☐ NO

8. Risk Assessment. Has the Burn Boss determined that the risks associated with the proposed burn are acceptable?

☐ YES ☐ NO

9. Weather Forecast. Has the Burn Boss obtained a current weather forecast?

☐ YES ☐ NO

10. Weather Conditions. Are current weather conditions within the parameters established in the burn plan?

☐ YES ☐ NO

11. Fire Behavior. Is projected fire behavior within the parameters established in the burn plan?

☐ YES ☐ NO

12. Fire Effects. Are the projected fire effects acceptable?

☐ YES ☐ NO

13. Smoke Management. Does the planned burn meet TCEQ smoke management guidelines?

☐ YES ☐ NO

BURN AUTHORIZATION

Burn Boss Name: _____	Date of Fire: _____
Burn Boss Signature: _____	Date: _____

FINAL DECISION

☐ BURN — All required checklist items have been satisfied.

☐ DO NOT BURN — One or more checklist items have a NO response.

REMINDER: *The Burn Boss is responsible for evaluating all checklist items and determining whether conditions are appropriate to proceed with the prescribed burn.*