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APPLICABILTY: The following fees shall be submitted to the Colusa County Air Pollution Control District when conducting any open burning or burning of agricultural crop waste. These fees shall apply to all persons, including any grower entity, government agency, or public district, conducting any open burning or burning of agricultural crop waste, or who transfer, sell or trade their annual allowable burn acres.

2 AGRICULTURAL FEES:

- 2.1 A \$15.48 administrative fee. This fee includes the costs imposed by the Sacramento Valley Basin wide Air Pollution Control Council of \$5.00 per permit.
 - **2.1.1** A per acre fee as follows:
 - **2.1.1.1** Field Crops other than rice

\$3.35 per acre burned

\$2.02 per acre burned - field was harvested and baled*

\$1.00 per acre burned - field was harvested, swathed and baled *

2.1.1.2 Orchard Pruning

\$1.34 per acre burned of which the pruning originated

2.1.1.3 Other open burning

\$ 3.35 per acre burned

- 2.2 Pursuant to Section 41865(r) of the California Health and Safety Code, Districts in the Sacramento Valley Air Basin shall impose fees on growers to cover the cost of implementing the Connelly-Areias-Chandler Rice Straw Burning Reduction Act of 1991. In addition to the above administrative fee, any grower subject to the Connelly-Areias-Chandler Rice Straw Burning Reduction Act of 1991, shall be assessed the following fee:
 - **2.2.1** \$ 4.33 per acre burned
 - 2.2.2 \$ 2.34 per acre burned field was harvested and baled *
 - 2.2.3 \$ 1.33 per acre burned field was harvested, swathed and baled *

2.3 Any grower entity, public district, or government agency which transfers, sells, or trades their annual allowable burn acres, shall pay a \$ 33.54 fee prior to the District administering this action.

^{*} Fees are contingent on District verification

- Other open burning under five acres per year shall be exempt from the above fees. Other open burning shall include, but not be limited to, rangeland improvement burning, forest management burning, wildland vegetation management burning, roadside vegetative burning, levee vegetative burning, and wetlands, refuge and other similar habitat improvement burning.
- 4 Residential burning under two acres shall be exempt from the above fees.
- Federal, state and local government agencies or public districts shall pay the above fees to the extent allowed under Chapter 2, Division 7, Title 1 of the Government Code (commencing with Section 6100) and Sections 42311 et seq. of Division 26 of the California Health and Safety Code.
- For the purpose of this rule, a grower entity shall be the grower and the related fields as listed on a restricted materials permit as issued by the county agricultural commissioner.
- Authorization shall be received from the Colusa County Air Pollution Control District prior to conducting the burn.
- 8 The provisions of this rule shall become effective September 15, 1999.
 - 8.1 All fees paid subject to Rule 507 between the periods of January 1, 1999, through June 30, 1999, shall be credited to this rule for the period of September 1, 1999, through December 31, 1999, only.
 - **8.2** All fee credits or prior paid fees shall be null and void after December 31, 1999.
- 9 RICE STRAW BURNING PHASEDOWN REGISTRATION FEE (adopted 7/11/95, repealed 1/6/98)