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To the Puget Sound Clean Air Agency,

I am writing on behalf of the Kitsap County Agricultural Advisory Council. We feel that the Puget Sound Clean Air Agency burn ban doesn't keep in mind the importance of prescribed burning in agriculture.

Prescribed burning is a historical practice used to help clear and fertilize land for agricultural uses. This method allows for minerals such as phosphorus, potassium, and nitrogen to be reabsorbed and made available in the soil. This availability of minerals allows for less use of harmful fertilizers, which increase soil degradation and decrease soil fertility.

The Kitsap County Agricultural Advisory Council hopes that these problems are brought to light when discussing the future of Kitsap County.

Best Regards,
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