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Dear Mr. Minks:

Your application for a burn permit has been approved. Please consider this letter your burn permit to hold the following event: **Fire Department Training Fires** using live burn cells (12ft x 12ft), mobile training props, and vehicles for various training fires at 7105 NW 70th Ave, Johnston, IA from March 1st, 2024 through September 1st, 2024 between the hours of 7:00 AM – 6:00 PM. Your burn permit reference number is **AIRB-2024-65544**.

The following condition(s) must be followed for the **Fire Department training** event:

1. Adequate safety precautions must be taken.
2. If at any time the fire creates a threat to public health or a nuisance, the fire shall be extinguished.
3. The permit letter shall be made available at the burn site to state and local officials upon request.
4. Burning must be done on days during which the prevailing wind direction carries the smoke away from areas of heavy population concentration.
5. Surrounding residents within 1000 feet must be notified prior to the actual training fire(s).
6. The vehicles should be “stripped” – meaning that tires, fluids, asbestos, mercury switches and other materials that generate toxic emissions when burned have been removed from the motor vehicle prior to the open burn.
7. No motor vehicle burning shall be conducted during unfavorable meteorological conditions
8. This permit shall be temporarily suspended when the State Fire Marshal has declared Polk County under an open burn ban. The permit shall be re-instated when the ban is lifted. State Fire Marshal burn ban status for Polk County can be checked at: <https://dps.iowa.gov/divisions/state-fire-marshal/burn-bans>
9. This permit shall be temporarily suspended when the National Weather Service (NWS) has issued a Red Flag Warning for Polk County, or, when conducting prairie burns, that the Grassland Fire Danger Index for Polk County reaches Very High or Extreme conditions. It shall also be temporarily suspended for the conduct of woodland burns when the GFDI for Polk County reaches Extreme conditions. The permit shall be re-instated when the warning is lifted. The NWS warnings can be checked at: www.weather.gov/dmx & www.weather.gov/dmx/fire.

The health officer shall have the authority to suspend this permit at any time for violation of the above listed provisions or in the case of weather conditions resulting in stagnation or air pollutant concentrations such that the public health is jeopardized.

This Department assumes no liability, directly or indirectly, for any loss due to damage to persons or property caused by, resulting from, or arising out of this activity.

If you have any questions, please call this office at 286-3705.

Sincerely,

Jessica Moeller
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