

SPARE THE AIR (AND WATER) THIS SEASON

Each year wood burning fireplaces in the Bay Area release harmful amounts of particulate pollution and toxic dioxins. These air pollutants fall into local creeks and San Francisco Bay.



Help protect our air and waterways

- Burn only dry hardwood such as oak or cherry, which produce less smoke. The Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD) does not recommend fire logs as a cleaner alternative to wood.
- Keep your fire hot and maintain good airflow.
- Never burn wet wood, garbage or plastic.
- Consider replacing your wood burning fireplace with a natural gas fireplace, or a cleaner burning EPA-certified wood or pellet heater.
- Check before you burn. BAAQMD prohibits the use of fireplaces and wood burning stoves on Spare the Air Days. Call (800) 435-7247 or sign up for email air alerts at www.sparetheair.org.

For more information about keeping our creeks and Bay clean,
visit www.cleanbay.org or call (650) 329-2598

