



John R. Kasich, Governor
Mary Taylor, Lt. Governor
Scott J. Nally, Director

September 13, 2013

Re: Jefferson County
Open Burning
Complaint 30003022

Mr. and Mrs. Mario Panapucci
1926 Township Highway 115
Dillonvale, Ohio

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Panapucci:

I am writing this letter in response to a complaint received by this office August 26, 2013. The complaint alleges that you burn household trash near the creek at your home.

On September 4, 2013, I investigated this complaint and spoke to both of you. Evidence of the open burning of paper and trash in a barrel was observed. Ash and residue from the burn barrel had fallen into the creek. These materials must be removed from the creek so that they do not contaminate the water. As I explained at that time, to open burn residential waste such as paper, leaves, tree trimmings, cardboard, etc., the property must be located in an unrestricted area (as your property is) and the burn site must be at least 1,000 feet from any inhabited building not on your property. Because there is not a burn site location on your property that is at least 1,000 feet from any inhabited building not on your property, you cannot open burn residential waste at this location.

You are permitted to have a cookout or campfire using clean, seasoned firewood if the fire is not more than two feet in height and not more than three feet in diameter. The fire must be put out when the cookout/campfire is over and cannot be left unattended.

Open burning of improper waste materials at this location is in violation of Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) rule 3745-19-04 and is punishable by a fine. I gave you a pamphlet that explains this rule. All open burning in violation of the requirements specified in OAC rule 3745-19-04 must stop. If you continue to open burn improper waste materials at this location or any other location in Ohio, legal action may be taken against you.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at 740-380-5217 or 1-800-686-7330.

Sincerely,

Lisa Duvall
Environmental Specialist
Division of Air Pollution Control

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