**Section 1565.10 Definitions**

"Act" means the Illinois Prescribed Burning Act [525 ILCS 37].

"Apprentice Prescribed Burn Manager" is a person at a prescribed burn that has successfully completed the training classes described under Section 1565.20(b)(1), participated in prescribed burns as described in Section 1565.20(b)(2), has been accepted by a certified prescribed burn manager as the apprentice prescribed burn manager for the prescribed burn, and is assuming the functions of a certified prescribed burn manager during the prescribed burn under the direct supervision of a certified prescribed burn manager as a training requirement pursuant to Section 1565.20(b)(3).

"Burn Personnel" means any paid person or volunteer involved in conducting prescribed burning under the Act.

"Burn Prescription" means a written plan for conducting a prescribed burn.

"Central Dispatching Agency" is an agency that provides dispatching services for a number of emergency agencies (fire, law enforcement or ambulance) in a defined geographic area.

"Certificate" is a written certificate and number issued by the Department identifying a person as a certified prescribed burn manager and is considered a license subject to revocation proceedings described in Subpart C of 17 Ill. Adm. Code 2530 (Revocation Procedures for Conservation Offenses).

"Certified Prescribed Burn Manager" is an individual who conducts the activities described in Section 1565.20(a), and successfully completes an approved training program and receives proper certification as described in Section 1565.20(b) through (f).

"Department" means the Illinois Department of Natural Resources.

"Director" means the Director of the Department.

"Escaped Fire" means any fire that goes beyond the area described in the burn prescription and requires outside resources to contain or that burns onto adjoining landowner's land not included in the burn prescription.

"Incident Commander", "Incident Command Authority" and "Unified Command" are terms defined by the National Inter-agency Incident Management System (NIIMS) and are used in this Part to describe the person or persons directly responsible for control and suppression of a prescribed burn or an escaped fire resulting from a prescribed burn.

"Landowner" includes the owner, owning agency or other legal entity owning a parcel of land where a prescribed burn is executed or is proposed to be executed, their designated agent or land manager.

"NIIMS" means the National Inter-agency Incident Management System administered by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

"Prescribed Burn Manager Certification Board" or "Board" is a Board of six representatives whose job responsibilities include natural areas stewardship, wildlife habitat management or forest management and who have experience with prescribed burn management or incident command. The Board shall be made up of four representatives designated by the Director (including one representative who is not employed by the State of Illinois), one representative designated by the Illinois Nature Preserves Commission and one representative designated by the Office of the State Fire Marshal.

"Prescribed Burn Report" is the written report and evaluation of a prescribed burn, including the information required in Section 1565.60(c) that is prepared and signed by the certified prescribed burn manager after a prescribed burn is completed.

"Prescribed Burning" is the planned application of fire to naturally occurring vegetative fuels, under specified environmental conditions and following appropriate precautionary measures, that causes the fire to be confined to a predetermined area and accomplishes the planned land management objectives.

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