

SEMINOLE COUNTY, FL (June 6, 2017) — Seminole County's Local State of Emergency requiring the Countywide Burn Ban expired at 12:00AM overnight, following 69 consecutive days of the order. Recent rains caused the Keetch-Byram Drought Index (KDBI) to fall below 500 and the Fire Danger Index to fall to a level allowing the Ban to be lifted. Currently, the KDBI reading for Seminole County is 402.

Florida Forest Service, Seminole County Office of Emergency Management and Seminole County Fire Department officials remain vigilant in protecting the area from wildfires by monitoring conditions, and encourage residents to visit www.prepareseminole.com to register for alerts and learn more about wildfires.

Even though rains have decreased the likelihood of brush fires, there is a chance of starting serious brush fires with fireworks. As Independence Day approaches, County officials urge residents to attend professional fireworks displays versus launching their own. Many cities in Seminole County put on spectacular fireworks shows, please check individual city websites for details.

For additional information, please call the Seminole County Office of Emergency Management, 407-665-5102.