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NEW BRAUNFELS — Thanks to last weekend’s rains, Comal County’s ban on outdoor burning has been lifted, said Fire Marshal Kory Klabunde.

The Keetch-Byram Drought Index has dropped to 283, well below the 500 threshold at which the county typically implements its burn ban. Every 100 points of the KBDI is equal to one inch of dry-soil depth.

County Judge Sherman Krause lifted the ban Saturday morning, as authorized by the August order putting the restrictions in place .

Although county restrictions are no longer in place, residents are expected to continue following burn restrictions set by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, which can be found on the fire marshal’s website, co.comal.tx.us/Fire_Marshal.htm.

Burning also is not allowed when forecasted winds are above 23 mph, Klabunde said.

“The KBDI is expected to stay below 500 for at least the next two weeks,” he said, “but we continue to encourage residents to be cautious when they’re burning outdoors.”

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