



# How to Describe Your Burn Location

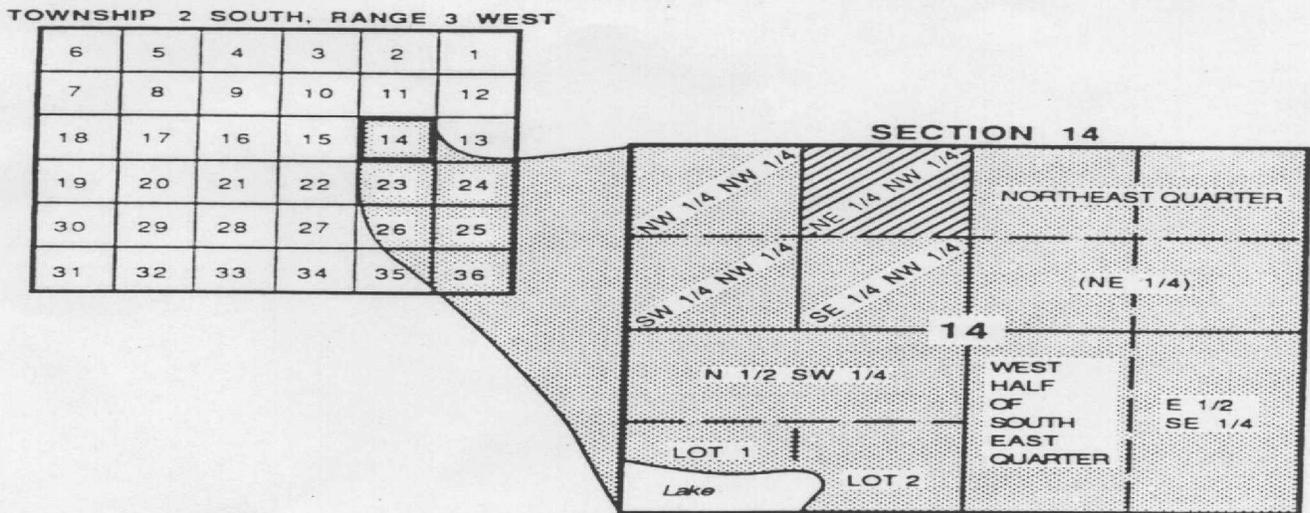
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## Department of Ecology Requirements for Burn Permits

When you apply for a burn permit, the Department of Ecology (Ecology) asks that you identify your burn location down to the smallest quarter section possible: the 1/4 1/4 corner.

The purpose of this requirement is to enable Ecology to keep more accurate records of what is permitted to be burned, what's already been burned (post burn report), and the specific location of the field within the section. This information helps Ecology make area-specific burn calls. Area-specific burn calls can enable Ecology to allow limited burning on more days, while continuing to ensure that sensitive individuals are not impacted by smoke.

For a description of what the 1/4 1/4 corner is and how to find it, see below.



**FIGURE 4.18** Townships, ranges, sections, and further divisions of the USPLS.

Source: Modified from the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management, *Surveying Our Public Lands* (Washington, D.C.: U.S. Government Printing Office, 1980).

Source of Figure: *Map Use & Analysis*, 3<sup>rd</sup> ed., John Campbell, WCB/McGraw Hill 1998.

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