

EPA gives nod to field-burning phase-down

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SALEM—Eugene's anti-field burning delegation was dealt an ace last week, but it may not be trump suit.

The ace was a letter to Gov. Bob Straub from the Regional Director of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) approving the four-year phase-down burning plan adopted by the 1975 Legislature, but warning that any change in that law might violate federal air pollution standards.

The seed industry currently operates under a phase-down plan that will reduce open burning to a maximum of 50,000 acres a year by 1978. The phase-down replaced a ban passed in 1971 which would have gone into effect in 1975.

The original ban was part of Oregon's federal Clean Air Act rules, adopted in 1972. With the passage of the phase-down, Oregon had to ask the EPA to revise those rules. Many Eugene

means had hoped the agency would reject the phase down and require enforcement of the original ban.

Grass seed industry representatives, who will lobby this session for repeal of all field burning restrictions, say the EPA directive will have little effect on whether the Legislature weakens field burning restrictions again this year.

A check with the EPA in Seattle reveals the growers may be correct.

"I don't know what we'd do if restrictions were relaxed," said Chuck Findley, EPA chief of air operations in Seattle. "We would have to go back and evaluate what the increase in allowable acreage does to the air quality in the Eugene area. It's a fairly close call now; Oregon's clean air implementation plan isn't being met in the Eugene area. But it's really the state's responsibility to review its pollution controls. At the state's

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Solons to get aides

SALEM—A controversial rules change allowing each member a full-time aide was approved by the House of Representatives Monday.

The measure was brought to a vote after caucuses by both parties determined the vote would not split along party lines with the Republican voting a block no.

The final vote was 38 "yes" to 21 "no," thus opening up 60 new positions at the Legislature. Some estimates put the total cost of the added personnel at \$370,000.

Before the caucuses, the measure seemed headed back to committee because the Democrats feared a split party line vote. When it was determined that half the Republicans planned to vote "yes," the matter was brought to a vote with about half of each party opposing it. All of Eugene-Springfield's representatives voted yes.

The Senate had already voted to allow for full-time aides on the first day of the session.

The measure's controversy centered around whether the move would violate the "citizen" spirit of Oregon's government by providing a full-time "professional" staff which would remove some decision-making from the legislators. The measure's proponents argued the extra help was necessary to avoid an annual session, which they said would be a "professional" body.

The rule change doesn't restrict the hiring of family members for the administrative aide position, and it doesn't require that all the money be spent during the session. A member could hire a half-time aide and retain the person through the interim.

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