



**OFFICE OF THE FIRE WARDEN  
FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU**

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**Stanislaus County Fire Prevention Bureau**  
**Process for Weed Abatement**

1. Initial weed complaint is received by local Fire Districts.
2. During the initial visit by the Fire District, and at the Fire District's discretion, the property may be declared a fire hazard.
3. If the site is declared a fire hazard the Fire District will post the property with a Notice to Clean, giving the property owner a compliance date, and will also mail a compliance letter to the property owner.
4. If site is not cleaned, Fire District will refer the weed complaint to the Fire Prevention Bureau via letter.
5. Fire Prevention Bureau visits site and posts the site, as appropriate, with a Fire Prevention Final Notice.
6. Fire Prevention then sends a Final Notice letter to property owner stating the date the property must be cleaned. The notice gives the property owner seven days to clean the property.
7. Fire Prevention re-inspects the property after the requested date of compliance to see if property has cleaned the property by the date on the final notice letter.
8. If homeowner has been non-compliant we will request our landscape service contractor clean the property, and we will bill the property owner for the clean up costs of the property and an administrative fee of \$214.00.