FIRE PREVENTION ORDER

SOUTHERN NEVADA DISTRICT BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

Fire Restrictions STAGE I

Under the authority of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C.1701 et. seq.) and pursuant to 43 CFR 9212.2, the following acts are prohibited on all public land areas, roads and trails located within and administered by the BLM Southern Nevada District Office. In the interest of wildfire prevention, public safety, and in compliance with 43 C.F.R. § 9212.2, these BLM actions may either complement or supersede state fire prevention orders.

Existing fire restrictions covered under Southern Nevada District Year-Round Fire Restrictions.

- 1. Possessing, discharging, using, or allowing the use of fireworks, pyrotechnic or incendiary devices.
- 2. Possessing, discharging, igniting, or causing to burn; explosives or explosive material, including binary explosive targets.
- 3. Discharging a firearm using tracer, incendiary, or steel-component ammunition. [Use of tracer or incendiary ammunition are always prohibited on public lands].
- 4. Operating or using any internal or external combustion engine without a spark arresting devise properly installed, maintained and in effective working order. (43 CFR 8343.1(c)).

Additional acts prohibited under this STAGE 1 order based upon fuel and weather conditions.

- 1. Building, maintaining, attending, or using a fire (using wood, charcoal or any other material), campfire, or stove fire except a portable stove using gas, jellied petroleum, or pressurized liquid fuel outside of a developed fee campground or picnic area (except by permit).
- 2. Smoking, except within an enclosed vehicle or building, a developed recreation site, or when stopped in an area at least 3 feet in diameter that is barren or cleared; of all flammable material.
- 3. Operating or parking a vehicle or other motorized equipment over or on top of dried/cured vegetation.
- 4. Welding, metal grinding, or operating an acetylene or other torch with open flame (except by permit).

Acts Recommended by Fire Prevention Order:

- 1. Have a shovel, fire extinguisher and/or at least 5 gallons of water on hand in the event of an unintentional fire start.
- 2. Utilize <u>nevadafireinfo.org</u> to obtain information on fire activity and additional restrictions.

Pursuant to 43 CFR 9212.2, each of the following persons is exempt from this order:

- 1. Persons with a written permit that specifically authorizes the otherwise prohibited act.
- 2. Persons using a fire solely fueled by liquid petroleum or LPG fuels. Such devices, including propane campfires, may be used only in an area cleared of flammable material.
- 3. Private landowners using charcoal (disposed of properly) or propane barbecues on their own lands.
- 4. Persons conducting activities in those designated areas where the activity is specifically authorized by written posted notice.
- 5. Any federal, state, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force, in the performance of an official duty.

Anyone who is found guilty of violating a fire prevention order may be subject to prosecution under any applicable law or BLM regulation. A violation of this order may be classified as a Class A Misdemeanor Offense under 43 USC 1733(a) FLPMA, 18 USC 3559, and 18 USC 3571 Sentence of Fine - Sentencing Reform Act, Oct. 12, 1984. If the violation does not result in death, anyone who violates this order may be fined not more than \$100,000 and/or imprisoned for not more than 12 months or may be fined in accordance with the applicable provisions of 18 USC 3571. Restitution for total fire suppression and damage costs incurred will be borne by the responsible party.

This Fire Prevention Order is effective 12:01 AM, on the 14th day of July 2023 and will remain in effect until the 31st day of December 2023, unless rescinded.

Angelita S Bulletts, District Manager	Date	
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