

U.S. Department of Agriculture, U.S. Forest Service Boise National Forest

Stage 1 Fire Restrictions

PROHIBITIONS

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 551 and 36 C.F.R. § 261.50(a), the following are prohibited on all National Forest System (NFS) lands within the Boise National Forest:

- 1. Igniting, building, maintaining, attending, or using a fire (including fires fueled by charcoal or briquettes), except if using:
 - a. A permanent metal or concrete fire pit or grate that the U.S. Forest Service has installed and maintained at its developed recreation sites (campgrounds and picnic areas); or
 - b. A device solely fueled by liquid or gas that can be turned on and off used in an area barren or cleared of all flammable materials within three feet of the device; or
 - c. A fully enclosed metal stove with a chimney at least five feet in length and a mesh screen spark arrestor with a screen opening of a ¼ inch or less used in an area that is barren or cleared of all flammable materials within 10 feet of the device.

36 C.F.R. § 261.52(a)

 Smoking, except in an enclosed vehicle or building, a developed recreation site, or while stopped in an area at least three feet in diameter that is barren or cleared of all flammable materials. 36 C.F.R. § 261.52(d)

EXEMPTIONS

Pursuant to 36 C.F.R. § 261.50(e), the following persons are exempt from this Order:

- 1. Persons with Forest Service Permit No. FS-7700-48 (Permit for Use of Roads, Trails, or Areas Restricted by Regulation or Order), specifically exempting them from this Order or a written determination by a Forest Service authorized officer that a permit is not required under 36 C.F.R. § 251.50(e)(1) or (2).
- 2. Any Federal, State, or Local Officer, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this Order is to protect public safety and natural resources by reducing the risk of human-caused wildfires during periods of high fire danger and severe fire weather conditions.

IMPLEMENTATION

- 1. This Order shall be in effect from August 05, 2024, at 0001 through October 31, 2024, at 23:59 pm., unless rescinded.
- 2. For a digital version of this Order, go to: <u>https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/boise/alerts-notices</u>
- 3. Unless otherwise expressly defined in this Order, the terms used in this Order are defined by the regulations of the Secretary of Agriculture, 36 C.F.R. Chapter II, Parts 200-299. If there are terms in this Order that are not expressly defined in the Order or 36 C.F.R. Chapter II, Parts 200-299, their meaning shall be determined by their plain language definitions.
- 4. A violation of the above prohibitions is punishable as a Class B misdemeanor by a fine of not more than \$5,000 for individuals and \$10,000 for organizations, or by imprisonment for not more than six months, or both. 16 U.S.C. § 551; 18 U.S.C. §§ 3559, 3571, and 3581.
- 5. Contact the Boise National Forest Supervisor's Office in Boise, ID (208) 373-4100, for more information about this Order.

Signed and issued on this day August 2024.

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