# STATE OF OREGON DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY

## FIRE RESTRICTIONS

REGULATED CLOSURE PROCLAMATION

#### Number 01

Effective 12:01 a.m., PDT, June 22, 2024

By virtue of the authority vested in me under the provisions of ORS 477.535 to 477.550, I hereby proclaim a Regulated Closure to be in effect in the following subject area:

All lands protected by the Northeast Oregon Protection District, and all forestlands within one-eighth mile thereof.

Under this Regulated Closure, except as to the owner's legal right of entry upon their land, entry to all forestland is unlawful unless entrants comply with the following restrictions:

- Open fires, including campfires, charcoal fires, cooking fires, and warming fires, are allowed with landowner permission during low and moderate fire danger. Open fires are only allowed in designated locations during high fire danger and prohibited entirely during extreme fire danger.
  - o Portable cooking stoves using liquefied or bottled fuels are allowed.
  - o Propane fire pits are allowed if they are self-contained and 3 feet away from any flammable fuels with a maximum flame height of 2 feet.
  - o Possession of the following firefighting equipment is required; shovel or other firefighting tool, minimum of 1-gallon of water, or 2 ½ pound or larger fire extinguisher and a fire watch at least one hour after extinguishing.
- Non-industrial chainsaw use is allowed all day during **low** and **moderate** fire danger. Chainsaw use is prohibited between noon and 8:00 pm during **high** fire danger and prohibited entirely during **extreme** fire danger.
  - When allowed, the following firefighting equipment must be present with each operating saw: one shovel or other firefighting tool, and one 8 ounce or larger fire extinguisher or 1-gallon of water. In addition, a fire watch is required at least one hour following the end of chainsaw use.
  - o Electric chainsaws are allowed all day.
- The use of fireworks is prohibited.
- Mowing of dried and cured grass with power driven equipment is allowed all day during low and
  moderate fire danger. Except for the commercial culture and harvest of agricultural crops, this activity is
  prohibited between noon and 8:00 pm during high fire danger and prohibited entirely during extreme fire
  danger.
  - o The use of electric string trimmers are allowed all day.
- Cutting, grinding, and welding of metal is allowed all day during low and moderate fire danger. This activity is prohibited between noon and 8:00 pm during high fire danger and prohibited entirely during extreme fire danger. When allowed, cutting, grinding, and welding of metal must be conducted in a 10-foot area cleared of flammable vegetation. In addition, a shovel or other firefighting tool, minimum of 1-gallon of water, or 2 ½ pound or larger fire extinguisher must be immediately available.
- Any electric fence controller in use shall be: 1) Listed by a nationally recognized testing laboratory or be certified by the Department of Consumer and Business Services; and 2) Operated in compliance with manufacturer's instructions.
- Smoking is prohibited during high and extreme fire danger while traveling, except in vehicles on improved roads, in boats on the water, or at a cleared area free of flammable vegetation.
- Possession of the following firefighting equipment is required during high and extreme fire danger for any vehicle/UTV/ATV traveling on <u>unimproved roadways</u>, where flammable vegetation exists on roadway; shovel or other firefighting tool, minimum of 1-gallon of water, or 2 ½ pound or larger fire extinguisher.

Aside from these restrictions, the following is restricted or prohibited during fire season.

- The use of exploding targets is prohibited.
- The use of tracer ammunition or any bullet with a pyrotechnic charge in its base is prohibited.
- A burn permit is required for all open debris burning and use of burn barrels during low and moderate fire danger, pending conditions.
   Contact your local ODF office.
- All open debris burning is prohibited during high and extreme fire danger.



The State Forester or an authorized representative may, in writing, approve a modification or waiver of these requirements.

Maps of the subject area may be viewed at the State Forester's Office, in Salem, Oregon, and at principal offices of the Forest Protection District.

Matt Howard, District Forester Northeast Oregon District Oregon Department of Forestry June 22, 2024



## FIRE RESTRICTION INFORMATION FOR OREGON DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY

PROTECTED LANDS IN NORTHEAST OREGON, FOR CURRENT RESTRICTION INFORMATION CALL 541-975-3027 OR VISIT BMIDC.ORG/RESTRICTIONS OR QR Code





## **Moderate Fire Danger**

#### **PROHIBITED:**

- Permit Required for all open debris burning and use of burn barrels.
  - Contact your local ODF office as listed below to inquire about a permit.
- Campfires for recreational and/or cooking purposes are allowed.
  - Possession of the following firefighting equipment is required; shovel or other firefighting tool, minimum of 1-gallon of water, or 2 ½ pound or larger fire extinguisher and a fire watch at least one hour after extinguishing.

**FIRE SEASON** 

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- Use of exploding targets.
- Use of tracer ammunition or any bullet with a pyrotechnic charge in its base.
- Use of sky lanterns throughout the year in Oregon.

\*The above public use restrictions are in accordance with ORS 477.535

\*If you would like further information, please call your local office.

Baker City: 541-523-5831

La Grande: 541-963-3168

Pendleton: 541-276-3491

Wallowa: 541-886-2881