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Industrial Fire Precaution Level moves to level 3; Public Use Restrictions increase

HINES, Ore. – As of Thursday, August 6, Industrial Fire Precaution Level 3 (IFPL), Partial Shutdown, is in effect on lands administered by the Bureau of Land Management Burns District, the Emigrant Creek Ranger District of the Malheur National Forest, and the Malheur National Wildlife Refuge.

Under IFPL 3, personal and commercial woodcutters are prohibited from operating power saws. Personal and commercial woodcutters are reminded of their responsibility to stay informed of current IFPLs and all restrictions that apply to activities conducted on public lands.

In addition to the increased IFPL, the following acts are prohibited on all federal land within the Burns Interagency Fire Zone:

1. Building, maintaining, attending, or using a fire, campfire or stove fire, including charcoal briquette fire, except in developed campgrounds or recreation sites. Liquefied and bottled gas stoves and heaters are permitted. When used outside of developed recreation sites, stoves and heaters must be used within an area at least 10 feet in diameter that is barren or clear of all flammable material.
2. Smoking outside of a vehicle, trailer or building, except within areas barren of all flammable materials for at least a 3-foot diameter, or on boats on rivers and lakes.
3. Operating any type of motorized vehicle without a shovel and a container with at least 1-gallon of water, or a fully charged 2.5-pound fire extinguisher.
4. Operating any type of motorized vehicle off existing roadways or parking vehicles on roadways not clear of all flammable materials, berm to berm.

Ignition of fireworks on all public land is always prohibited. Fire danger is VERY HIGH. Visitors should use extreme caution when visiting public lands this time of year. For a map of the restricted use area, please visit the Burns District BLM office at 28910 Hwy 20 West in Hines.

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