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## **FIRE DANGER RISES IN WILD & SCENIC SECTION OF ROGUE RIVER**

The fire danger level will increase to “high” (yellow) on Saturday, June 13, in the Wild and Scenic section of the Rogue River between Grave Creek and the mouth of Watson Creek. The Wild and Scenic section of the river between Grave Creek and Marial is managed by the Bureau of Land Management and protected from fire by the Oregon Department of Forestry’s Southwest Oregon District. The section of the river from Marial downstream to Watson Creek is managed and protected from fire by the Rogue River-Siskiyou National Forest.

The following fire prevention restrictions are currently in effect:

- Smoking is prohibited while traveling, except in boats on the water, and on sand or gravel bars that lie between water and high water marks that are free of vegetation.
- All travelers are required to carry one shovel and a one-gallon or larger bucket.
- The use of fireworks is prohibited.

Starting Saturday, June 13, the following fire prevention restriction takes effect and is in addition to the restrictions currently in effect in the Wild and Scenic section of the Rogue River. It applies to open fires:

- Campfires, including cooking fires and warming fires, will be prohibited. Charcoal fires for cooking and built in raised fire pans, and portable cooking stoves using liquefied or

bottled fuels, will be allowed on sand or gravel bars that lie between water and high water marks that are free of vegetation. Ashes must be hauled out.

For further information about fire restrictions in the Wild and Scenic Section of the Rogue River, contact:

- The Rogue River-Siskiyou National Forest, (541) 618-2200;
  - <http://ormic.org/index.html>
  - [www.fs.usda.gov/rogue-siskiyou](http://www.fs.usda.gov/rogue-siskiyou)
- The Oregon Department of Forestry, Grants Pass Unit, (541) 474-3152;
  - [www.swofire.com](http://www.swofire.com)
- The Smullin Visitor Center located at the Rand National Historic Site at (541) 479-3735.

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