April 7, 2021

FIRE PREVENTION ORDER, ORDER NUMBER MT-LLMT030-2021-01
TEMPORARY SHOOTING RESTRICTIONS, Williston Shooting Site & Schnell Recreation Area

AGENCY: Dickinson, North Dakota Field Office, Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Department of the Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Fire Prevention Order temporarily restricting shooting in the Williston Shooting Site area south of Williston, McKenzie County, North Dakota and at the Schnell Recreation Area east of Richardton, Stark County, North Dakota.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that a Fire Prevention Order temporarily restricting shooting is now in effect on public lands managed by the BLM at the following locations:

- 40-acre BLM parcel known as the “Williston Shooting Site” (SESE Section 10, T153N, R101W), located approximately five miles south of Williston, North Dakota (Attachment 1 & 2).
- Schnell Recreation Area, located approximately two miles east of Richardton, North Dakota (Attachment 3 & 4).

DATES: This Fire Prevention Order will be in effect from April 7, 2021 until further notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: It is the policy of the Bureau of Land Management to take all necessary actions to protect human life, public lands, and the resources and improvements thereon through the prevention of wildfires. This Fire Prevention Order is necessary due to the current high fire danger in the area. The BLM will post the Fire Prevention Order on signs at main entry points to these areas. A copy of the Fire Prevention Order and a map of the affected areas will be available at the BLM North Dakota Field Office (see contact information above) and online.

Additionally, Fire Prevention Order Number MT-LLMT911-2020-01 includes additional prohibited acts on BLM administered lands in Montana, North Dakota, and South Dakota.

Under authority of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (Title 43, United States Code, §1701, et. seq.) pursuant to Title 43, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) § 9212.2(a), the following acts are temporarily prohibited on BLM administered lands listed above:

Firing and/or discharging any firearm.

Pursuant to 43 CFR 9212.2(b)(3), those persons exempted from this order include the following:

1. Persons with a written permit that specifically authorizes the otherwise prohibited act.
2. Persons conducting activities in those designated areas where the activity is specifically authorized by written posted notice.
3. Any federal, state or local officer or employee in the performance of their official duties, including members of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.
4. Persons with valid North Dakota hunting licenses in pursuit of wild game.

NOTE: An exemption does not absolve an individual or organization from liability or responsibility for any fire started by the exempted activity.
43 CFR 9212.4 Penalties. In accordance with Title 43, CFR § 9212.4, any person who knowingly and willfully violates any portion of this Fire Prevention Order shall, upon conviction, be subject to a fine of not more than $1,000 or to imprisonment of not more than twelve (12) months, or both. Such violations may also be subject to the enhanced fines provided for by 18 U.S.C. 3571 and/or damages resulting from fires caused by violated a prohibited act.

This fire prevention order will be in effect from 12:01 a.m. Mountain Daylight Time on April 7, 2021 until rescinded.

Done at the North Dakota Field Office this 7th day of April, 2021.

Loren Wicksstrom
Field Manager
BLM – North Dakota Field Office
Attachment 4
Schnell Recreation Area

Projected Coordinate System: IAD 1983Albers
Geographic Coordinate System: GCS North American 1983
Datum: D North American 1983

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User Name: gmorel
Date: 4/6/2021

CAUTION
Land ownership data is derived from base source data and may not be shown for parcels smaller than 40 acres, and land ownership may vary from parcel size due to source data.

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