

United States Department of the Interior

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT Gila District 3201 E. Universal Way Tucson, AZ 85756



FIRE PREVENTION ORDER # AZ-400-21-01 **STAGE 1** FIRE RESTRICTIONS DUE TO HIGH FIRE DANGER BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT, GILA DISTRICT

Pursuant to 43 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 9212.2, the following acts are prohibited on all lands administered by the Bureau of Land Management in Navajo and Apache counties Arizona.

These restrictions will become effective at 08:00 a.m. PST, 09:00 a.m. MST on the 7th of May, 2021. They will remain in effect until rescinded or revoked.

Stage 1:

The following acts are prohibited until further notice:

- 1. Building, maintaining, attending, or using a fire (charcoal, coal, wood, or any combustible material) other than in a developed campsite or picnic area where metal campfire rings and/or grills are provided.
- 2. Smoking, except within an enclosed vehicle or building, a developed recreation site/improved site or while stopped in an area at least 3 feet in diameter that is barren or cleared of all flammable materials.
- 3. Mechanical and Industrial Prohibitions
 - a. Welding, metal grinding activities or operating acetylene or other torch with open flame.
 - b. Using an explosive and/or explosive device.

Fireworks, tracer ammunition and exploding targets are always prohibited year-round on federal lands.

Stage 1 Exemptions:

- 1. Persons with a written permit that specifically authorizes the otherwise prohibited act.
- 2. Persons using a device solely fueled by liquid petroleum or LPG fuels that can be turned on and off. Such devices can only be used in an area that is barren or cleared of all overhead and surrounding flammable materials within 3 feet of the device.
- 3. Persons conducting activities in those designated areas where the activity is specifically authorized by written posted notice.
- 4. Any Federal, State, or local officer or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.
- 5. All land within a city boundary is exempted unless otherwise stated in city ordinance.
- 6. Other exemptions unique to each agency/tribe.

An exemption does not absolve an individual or organization from liability or responsibility for any fire started by the exempted activity.

Violation of this order is prohibited by the provisions of the regulations cited. Under 43 CFR 9212.4, any violation is subject to punishment by a fine of not more than \$1,000 or imprisonment of not more than 12 months, or both. Information regarding these fire restrictions may be obtained by calling the Gila District Office at (520)-258-7200.

Signed this 3rd day of May, 2021, at Tucson, Arizona. ANTHONY FELDHAUSEN Date: 2021.05.03 13:56:04 -07'00'

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