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In Reply Refer To: 9212 (MTB070)

FIRE PREVENTION ORDER Stage II Fire Restrictions ORDER NUMBER LLMTB070-21-04-HD

Pursuant to Title 43, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 9212.2 (a), (b) (1), the following acts are prohibited on all Bureau of Land Management lands administered by the Butte Field Office. These lands are described as follows: All BLM lands lying within the Montana counties of Broadwater, Jefferson, and Lewis & Clark.

Under Code of Federal Regulations, Subpart 9212, Section 9212.1 Prohibited acts: Unless permitted in writing by the authorized officer, it is prohibited on the above-described public lands to: (h) Perform any act restricted by this fire prevention order including:

- 1. Building maintaining, attending, or using a fire or campfire.
- 2. Smoking, except within an enclosed vehicle or building, a developed recreation site or while stopped in an area at least three feet in diameter that is barren or cleared of all flammable materials.
- 3. The following acts are prohibited from 1:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.:
 - Operating any internal combustion engine.
 - Welding or operating acetylene or other torch with open flame.
 - Using an explosive.

A one-hour active foot patrol with appropriate fire tools, checking for and reporting fires, is required within and/or around the work site following cessation of all work as described above.

4. Operating motorized vehicles off designated roads and trails, as defined in approved agency travel plan.

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 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 barren or cleared of all overhead and surrounding flammable materials within three feet of the device.
- 3. Operating motorized vehicles on designated roads and trails, as defined in approved agency travel plan.
- 4. Operating generators with approved spark arrestors within an enclosed vehicle or building or in an area that is barren or cleared of all overhead and surrounding flammable materials within three feet of the generator.
- 5. Emergency repair of public utilities and railroads as per attached conditions.
- 6. Persons conducting activities in those designated areas where the activity is specifically authorized by written posted notice.
- 7. Any Federal, State, or local officer or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in performance of official duties.
- 8. 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.

43 CFR 9212.4 Penalties

Any person who knowingly and willfully violates the regulations at § 9212.1 of this title shall, upon conviction, be subject to a fine of not more than \$1,000 or to imprisonment of not more than 12 months, or both.

This order will be in effect from 12:01 a.m. Mountain Daylight Time on July 24, 2021 until rescinded. Done at the Butte Field Office this 21st day of July 2021.

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