

# Fire Prevention Order

## California Desert District

**Order Number** CAD-000-2019-02 (Recreational Target Shooting Order)

It is the policy of the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) to take all necessary actions to protect human life, public lands, and resources and improvements thereon through the prevention of wildfires. Wherever possible, the BLM will comply with **Title 43 Code of Federal Regulations, Section 9212.2** requiring the BLM to establish fire prevention orders to assist with wildland fire prevention efforts throughout the geographical area. This geographical area consists of public lands within the California Desert District (CDD) in Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, and San Diego Counties.

Under the authority of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (**43 U.S.C. 1701 et. Seq.**) and pursuant to **43 CFR §9212.2**, the following fire prevention orders are issued:

As of April 10, 2019 at 00:01 AM, **Recreational target shooting on all BLM-managed public lands** is illegal and prohibited within the California Desert District south and west of Highway 58 from the western CDD boundary to Highway 14, west of Highway 14 from its junction with Highway 58 to its junction with Highway 138, west and south of Highway 138 from its junction with Highway 14 to its junction with Highway 18, south and west of Highway 18 from its junction with Highway 138 to its junction with Highway 247, south and west of Highway 247 from its junction with Highway 18 to its junction with Highway 62, north and west of Highway 62 from its junction with Highway 247 to its junction with Interstate 10, north of Interstate 10 from its junction with Highway 62 until its junction with Highway 111, south and west of Highway 111 from its junction with Interstate 10 to its junction with Highway 86 just north of Mecca, south and west of Highway 86 from its junction of Highway 111 to the Riverside/Imperial County line, and all CDD managed lands within San Diego County.

Violations of this order are punishable by a fine of not more than \$1,000 or imprisonment of not more than 12 months, or both (**Title 43, CFR §9212.2**)

Exhibit A is the map of the areas closed to recreational target shooting.

### Exemptions

Pursuant to **Title 43, CFR §9212.2**, the following persons are exempt from this order:

- a. Persons with a permit from or contract with the BLM that specifically authorizes the otherwise prohibited act.
- b. Any Federal, State, or local Officer, or member of an organized rescue, law enforcement or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.

- c. Persons with a valid State of California hunting license actively engaged in the legal take/pursuit of Game/Non-Game species in accordance with the current hunting seasons.

For information regarding the restrictions, call the nearest BLM field office Monday to Friday 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM.

California Desert District	(951) 697-5200	Ridgecrest	(760) 384-5400
Barstow	(760) 252-6000	Needles	(760) 326-7000
Palm Springs	(760) 833-7100	El Centro	(760) 337-4400

Map of current restrictions available at:

<https://blm-egis.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=10184f0954db48e1b15ceacc5c421e5e>

It is the responsibility of the public to understand the Fire Prevention Orders. They are available online at [www.blm.gov/programs/public-safety-and-fire/fire-and-aviation/regional-info/california/fire-restrictions](http://www.blm.gov/programs/public-safety-and-fire/fire-and-aviation/regional-info/california/fire-restrictions). Fire weather forecasts are available through the National Weather Service at, <https://www.weather.gov/fire/>

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