



Fire Prevention Order

Northern California District, Applegate Field Office
CA-320-22-01

Due to dry conditions and high fire danger, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Applegate Field Office is prohibiting the following acts on BLM-managed public lands, areas, roads, waterways, and trails in the Applegate Field Office jurisdiction starting Monday, August 1, 2022, at 12:01 a.m. (local time) until further notice 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**. These BLM actions complement and support the year-round **BLM California Fire Order CA910-2020-001** that can be viewed at <https://on.doi.gov/2YegKJF>, and any state and local wildfire prevention laws and regulations which shall apply to all BLM-managed Public Lands within the Applegate Field Office boundaries.

Acts prohibited and defined under this order:

- Building, attending, maintaining, or using any open fire, campfire, charcoal barbecue, or coal or wood stove, except in fire rings or barbecues provided in the Pit River and Boulder Reservoir campgrounds with a valid California Campfire Permit. Free, California Campfire Permits can be obtained at <https://www.readyforwildfire.org/permits/campfire-permit/>.
- Smoking, except within an enclosed vehicle or camp trailer or while stopped or standing in a three-foot diameter area barren or cleared of all flammable materials and away from federal facility doors, windows, and air ducts.
- Operating any type of motorized vehicle off established roads or trails on Public Lands. Parking of vehicles off roadways must be done in an area clear of flammable material.
- Operating or using any portable tool or device (e.g., chainsaws, generators) powered by an internal combustion engine off established roads or trails on Public Lands.
- Possessing or operating any welding, acetylene device, or other open flame torch that uses oxygen and fuel gases to weld and cut steel or metallic components.
- Possessing or discharging any fireworks, including “safe and sane” devices on any Public Lands.
- Possessing, using, or discharging any incendiary, tracer, steel component (core or jacketed), or armor piercing ammunition of any caliber while target shooting, or using any exploding targets or targets made of materials that could explode or emit sparks and cause a wildfire.

Exemptions to this order (Pursuant to 43 CFR §9212.2):

- Anyone with a special-use permit, specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act.
- Any Federal, State, or local Officer, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.
- Controlled flame devices, such as portable stoves and lanterns with shut-off valves, using gas, jellied petroleum, or pressurized liquid fuel are allowed with a valid California Campfire Permit.
- Chainsaws with approved spark arresters may be used off designated roads and trails for personal use firewood cutting until 1 p.m. daily and must be accompanied by a fuelwood permit.
- Persons hunting during open season for a game bird or mammal as specified by state laws with a valid state hunting license in their possession may discharge a firearm at the legal game bird or mammal.

Penalties for violating this order:

Anyone who is found guilty of violating a fire prevention order, which may be classified as a Class A Misdemeanor Offense under 43 USC 1733(a) FLPMA, 18 USC 3559, and 18 USC 3571 Sentence of Fine - Sentencing Reform Act, Oct. 12, 1984, that does not result in death, may be fined not more than \$100,000 and/or imprisonment for not more than 12 months, or in accordance with the applicable provisions of 18 USC 3571. Restitution for total fire suppression and damage costs incurred may be borne by the trespasser.

Additional Information

A map of current California BLM fire restrictions and Fire Prevention Orders are available at: <https://www.blm.gov/programs/public-safety-and-fire/fire-and-aviation/regional-info/california/fire-restrictions>. For information regarding these restrictions, please call the Applegate Field Office 530-233-4555, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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