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FIRE PREVENTION ORDER - Fairbanks District
United States Department the Interior
Bureau of Land Management
Order No. AK020-25-006

Under authority of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (Title 43, United States Code, Section 1701, et. seq.) and pursuant to Title 43, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) § 9212.2(a), the following restrictions are in effect for federal lands managed by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Fairbanks District Office, which includes the Central Yukon and Eastern Interior Field Offices.

It is the policy of the BLM to take all necessary actions to protect human life, the public lands, and the resources and improvements thereon through the prevention of wildfires. Wherever possible, the BLM's actions will complement and support state and local wildfire prevention actions. 43 U.S.C. § 9212.0-6

The Fairbanks District Office has implemented the following temporary restrictions on BLM-managed lands throughout the entire district with the exception of those north of Wiseman. These temporary restrictions are due to changes in weather and fuel moisture leading to extreme potential for wildland fire across the area.

Under Title 43 CFR § 9212.1, Prohibited Acts: Unless permitted in writing by the Authorized Officer, it is prohibited to perform any act restricted by this Fire Prevention Order on the above-described public lands.

Acts prohibited under this order include the following:

1. All open fires except campfires within fire rings at established campgrounds.
2. The non-commercial use/discharge of explosives of any kind, incendiary or chemical devices, pyrotechnic devices, or exploding targets.
3. The use/discharge of any kind of fireworks as defined by this order.

Definition(s):

Fireworks - includes, but is not limited to, any device which produces noise, smoke, showers of sparks, or movement by combustion or explosive materials. These explosives are defined by the U.S. Department of Transportation in Part 173, Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations. This definition includes all classes of fireworks.

Established campgrounds - Mt. Prindle, Ophir Creek, Cripple Creek, West Fork, Walker Fork, and Eagle, Arctic Circle, Marion Creek, Five Mile, and Galbraith Lake campgrounds.

Exemptions:

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

1. Any federal, state, or local officer or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.
2. Federal or state administrative personnel in the performance of an official duty with written authorization from a BLM Authorized Officer.
3. Persons with a BLM-issued permit specifically authorizing an otherwise prohibited act.
4. Persons building, maintaining, attending, or using a camp stove, gas barbeque or grill, or charcoal briquette fire in a fire-proof pan.

All other fire restrictions, or necessary exemptions to these restrictions, will be handled through local permits issued by the BLM Fairbanks District for that purpose.

Penalties:

Anyone in violation of this Fire Prevention Order may be subject to civil liability or criminal prosecution under any applicable law or BLM regulation. A violation of this Order may be classified as a Class A Misdemeanor Offense under 43 USC 1733(a) FLPMA , 18 USC 3559. Pursuant to 18 USC 3571, if the violation does not result in death, anyone who violates this order may be fined not more than \$100,000 and/or imprisoned for not more than 12 months. Liability for total fire suppression and damage costs incurred will be borne by the responsible party.

This order shall go into effect at 12:01 a.m. on July 2, 2025, and will remain in force until rescinded.

Information concerning these fire restrictions may be obtained at <https://akfireinfo.com/> or by calling the Fairbanks District Office at 907-474-2200.

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Date