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FIRE PREVENTION ORDER PUBLIC USE RESTRICTION: MODERATE

Pursuant to 43 CFR 9212.1(h) and 9212.2, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Coos Bay District is amending the Fire Prevention Order to reflect MODERATE fire danger conditions while continuing to reduce the risk of human-caused wildfires. This amended order supersedes the previously amended HIGH Fire Prevention Order, effective July 25, 2026. The amended MODERATE restrictions apply to all BLM-managed public lands within the Coos Bay District and will take effect at 12:01 a.m. (local time) on September, 17, 2026. This order will remain in effect until rescinded or amended.

This MODERATE Fire Prevention Order is in addition to the statewide BLM Oregon/Washington Fire Prevention Order issued on May 14, 2026, which remains in effect and prohibits activities including fireworks and pyrotechnic devices, exploding targets and other explosive devices, tracer or steel-component ammunition, sky lanterns, and shooting at metallic objects.

Acts Prohibited Under This Order

1. Setting, building, maintaining, or using open fire, including charcoal briquettes, except at these listed designated campgrounds on BLM-administered lands on the Coos Bay District. (Controlled flame devices such as portable stoves and lanterns with **shut-off** valves, using gas, jellied petroleum, or pressurized liquid fuel are allowed.)

DESIGNATED COOS BAY DISTRICT CAMPGROUNDS
East Shore Campground
Loon Lake Campground
Vincent Creek Campground
Fawn Creek Campground
Smith River Falls Campground
Park Creek Campground
Edson Creek Campground
Sixes River Campground

2. Smoking, except within an enclosed vehicle or building, or while stopped in an area at least three (3) feet in diameter that is barren or cleared of all flammable material.
3. Operating any type of motorized vehicle off roadways not clear of flammable vegetation. Vehicles parked off roadways must be parked in an area barren of flammable material.
4. All motorized vehicles, excluding motorcycles, must be equipped with the following:

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- a. One shovel not less than twenty-six (26) inches in overall length, with a blade not less than eight (8) inches wide.
 - b. One axe or other firefighting tool with a handle not less than twenty-six (26) inches in length.
 - c. All motorized vehicles, **including motorcycles**, must be equipped with either one water container filled to capacity, minimum one (1) gallon, or one fully charged 2.5-pound ABC fire extinguisher.
5. Operating or using any internal combustion engine without a properly installed and maintained spark arresting device in effective working order. Generators must be operated only in areas free of flammable material for at least ten (10) feet in all directions.
 6. Operating a power saw is permitted before 10:00 a.m. and after 8:00 p.m. Battery or electric-powered chainsaws are exempt from this hourly restriction and permitted all day. **For all chainsaw operations**, one shovel and one fire extinguisher (minimum 2.5-pound capacity) must be present on site, and a fire watch of at least one hour is required after use.
 7. Cutting, grinding, or welding metal, or operating an acetylene or similar torch with an open flame.

Exempted From This Order

Pursuant to 43 CFR 9212.2 (b)(3), the following are exempt from this order. An exemption does not necessarily absolve an individual or organization from liability or responsibility for any fire caused by an exempted activity.

1. Any federal, state, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.
2. Persons with a permit or contract issued by the BLM Coos Bay District, which specifically authorizes the otherwise prohibited act.
3. Any person authorized in writing by the Bureau of Land Management

Penalties for Violations

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 the authority of the Federal Land Management and Policy Act (43 USC 1733(a)) and in accordance with 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.

Approved in North Bend, Oregon, on this 16th day of September 2026.

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