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FIRE PREVENTION ORDER -BLM ALASKA LANDS

United States Department of the Interior Bureau of Land Management Order No. AK910-19-001

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 lands managed by the BLM Central Yukon Field Office and BLM Eastern Interior Field Office, and for lands managed by the BLM Glennallen Field Office in the Copper River, Delta River, and Susitna River drainages.

It is the policy of the Bureau of Land Management 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 Bureau of Land Management's actions will complement and support State and local wildfire prevention actions. 43 U.S.C. § 9212.0-6

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
- 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.

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 the Field Manager
- 3. 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 Field Manager for that purpose.

Penalties:

Pursuant to Title 43 § 9212.0-5, 9212.1 and 9212.4, 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 twelve (12) months, or both. Restitution for total fire suppression or damage costs incurred will be borne by the violator. Individuals violating this order can be subject to fines up to and including \$1,000 along with associated fire suppression and rehabilitation costs pursuant to 43 CFR 9212.4.

This order supersedes any prior Fire Prevention Orders in the area and shall go into effect at 12:01 a.m. on July 12, 2019 and will remain in force until rescinded.

Information concerning these fire restrictions may be obtained at <u>akfireinfo.com</u> and www.blm.gov/afs/fire-restrictions.

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Alaska State Director

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Date