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## **FIRE PREVENTION ORDER NUMBER 12-09 RETURN TO STAGE I RESTRICTIONS**

Under authority of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (Title 43, United States Code, Section 1701, et. seq.) pursuant to Title 43, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 9212.2(a), the following Stage I restrictions are in effect for all Bureau of Land Management (BLM) public lands within the Colorado counties of Delta, Gunnison, Montrose, Ouray, Saguache, and San Miguel. The less restrictive measures are being implemented due to recent moisture within these areas. This Order supersedes Fire Prevention Order 12-06.

**Pursuant to Title 43 CFR Section 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.**

### **PROHIBITED ACTIONS**

The following acts are PROHIBITED within the Restricted Areas:

- **Building, maintaining, attending, or using a fire or campfire**, except within a permanent constructed fire grate in a developed campground or recreation site.
- **Smoking**, except within an enclosed vehicle, building, or developed recreation site or while stopped in an area of at least three feet in diameter that is barren or cleared of all flammable materials.
- **Operating or using an off-highway vehicle or chainsaw** without a properly installed and maintained spark-arresting device in effective working order.

### **PERMITTED ACTIONS**

The following acts are PERMITTED within the Restricted Areas:

- **Building, maintaining, and attending a fire** in a manufactured, permanent fire grate or grill within a developed campground or recreation site.
- **Operating a cooking stove or other appliance** fueled by liquid petroleum or bottled fuel equipped with a valve that allows the operator to turn the flame on and off.

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

- Any federal, state, or local officer or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.
- Persons with a BLM-issued permit specifically authorizing an otherwise prohibited act.

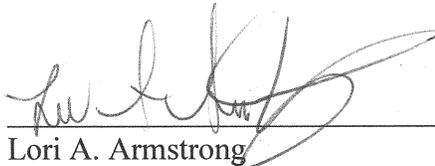
**An exemption does not absolve an individual or organization from liability or responsibility for any fire started by the exempted activity.**

### **PENALTIES**

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 months, or both. Restitution for total suppression or damage costs incurred will be borne by the violator.

**This Order shall go into effect beginning at 12:01 a.m. on July 18, 2012 and will remain in force until rescinded or on December 31, 2012, whichever event occurs first.**

Prepared in Montrose, Colorado on this 17<sup>th</sup> day of July 2012.



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