

## NOTICE OF STAGE I FIRE RESTRICTIONS

Bureau of Land Management, Idaho

Wildfire danger is very high in some parts of Idaho. Therefore, pursuant to Title 43 CFR 9200, subpart 9212.2, agency administrators for the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) have instituted **Stage I Fire Restrictions on Areas on BLM lands within the Payette Fire Restrictions Area.**

**Those areas include: All State, private and BLM managed lands in the Payette Fire Restriction Areas: Long Valley/Meadows Valley Zone (also known as Zone 3) and the Little Salmon Zone (also known as Zone 4).**

- Long Valley/Meadows Valley Zone: All private, state and BLM lands (except those located within national forest boundaries) south of Smokey Boulder Road/Bally Mountain south to Long Valley ending north of Donnelly road.
- Little Salmon River Zone: All state, private and BLM lands (except those located with national forest boundaries) south of the main Salmon river to Smokey Boulder road.
- For a detailed map visit: <http://www.idahofireinfo.com/p/fire-restrictions.html>

### STAGE I FIRE RESTRICTIONS:

**The following are prohibited on the state and private forestland and rangeland, and on public lands, roads, and trails until further notice:**

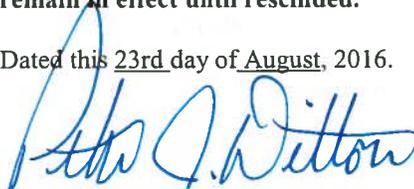
1. Building, maintaining, attending, or using a fire, campfire or stove fire except within a designated recreation site, and only within a fire structure provided by the administrative agency.
2. Smoking, except within an enclosed vehicle or building, a developed recreation site, or while stopped in an area at least three feet in diameter that is barren or cleared of all flammable materials.

### **Exemptions:**

1. Persons with a written permit that specifically authorizes the otherwise prohibited act.
2. Persons using fire fueled solely by liquid petroleum or LPG fuels.
3. Persons conducting activities in those designated areas where the activity is specifically authorized by written posted notice.
4. Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.
5. All land within a city boundary is exempted.
6. Other exemptions unique to each agency.
7. Persons using metal fire pans\* (see definition) within ¼ mile of:
  - The Salmon River from the Corn Creek launch site to its mouth at the Snake River.
  - The Middle Fork of the Salmon River.
  - The Selway River from the Paradise boat launch to Race creek.
  - The Snake River from Hells Canyon Dam to the City of Lewiston**\*Pack-out of ashes is required.**

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** These restrictions shall be in full force and effect starting at 0001 hours, August 24, 2016, and will remain in effect until rescinded.

Dated this 23rd day of August, 2016.

  
FOR Timothy M. Murphy  
BLM Idaho State Director

**Violation of the above prohibited acts is punishable by fine of not more than \$1,000 and/or imprisonment for not more than 12 months (Title 18 USC 1856, Title 43 USC 1701, Title 43 9212.4, and/or appropriate State laws).**

## **DEFINITIONS**

### **Stage 1 Fire Restrictions**

**AGENCY ADMINISTRATOR:** That person vested with the overall responsibility and authority for an agency at an administrative unit. These individuals may include BIA Superintendents, Forest Supervisors, State Lands Area Supervisors, and BLM District Managers. Agency Administrators at the Geographical Area Level would include the Regional Forester, BLM State Director, and the Director of the Idaho Dept. of Lands.

**CAMPFIRE:** A fire, not within any building, mobile home, or living accommodation mounted on a vehicle, which is used for cooking, branding, personal warmth, lighting, ceremonial, or aesthetic purposes. Campfires are open fires, usually built on the ground, from native fuels or charcoal, including charcoal grills.

**CHAINSAW:** A saw powered by an internal combustion engine, with cutting teeth linked in an endless chain.

**CLOSURE:** The closing of an area to entry or use.

**DESIGNATED ROADS AND TRAILS:** Those roads and trails that are identified on maps regularly provided to the public by Land Management agencies. On state and private forestland and rangeland "Designated Roads and Trails" are defined as those that exhibit a distinct running surface free of any flammable vegetation or debris.

**DESIGNATED RECREATION SITE:** A recreation area that has been improved and designated by sign as a privately owned commercial campground, tribal, or agency-owned campground, picnic area, or trail head.

**FIRE STRUCTURE:** A metal or concrete improvement specifically designed for the purpose of containing a campfire or cooking fire provided by the agency or campground owner. This does not include a metal fire pan as defined below.

**METAL FIRE PAN:** A metal fire pan with sides at least three inches high with a metal grate on top.

**MOTORIZED EQUIPMENT:** Any equipment or vehicle propelled by an internal combustion engine.

**OWNER PROVIDED STRUCTURE** – A permanent fire ring/structure that is installed and maintained by the agency having administrative control or the individual who has ownership rights of the property.

**PATROL:** One or more people who will travel through a work site checking for and reporting fires discovered adjacent to and within the work site.

**PERMIT:** A written document issued by an authorized agency representative to specifically authorize an otherwise prohibited act.

**RESTRICTION:** A limitation on an activity or use.

**STOVE FIRE:** A fire built inside a fully enclosed metal stove, grill, or sheep herder type stove, outfitted with a chimney of at least five (5) feet in length, employing a spark arrester with a maximum mesh screen opening of ¼ inch (for the purposes of Stage II Restrictions, stoves fires fueled solely by liquid petroleum or LPG fuels are within exemption #2, and do not require a chimney or spark arrester).