

IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF LANDS Coeur d'Alene, Idaho

Signed this 5th day of August, 2025

NOTICE OF RESTRICTIONS

Whereas, Critical Fire Danger exists within parts of Idaho, herein after described;

NOW THEREFORE, under the authority vested in me under Section 38-115, Idaho Code, and the Rules Pertaining to Forest Fire Protection, I hereby direct the following <u>Stage I Fire Restriction</u> measures to apply to all state and private managed lands in the following areas outside of incorporated city limits as described below:

EASTERN IDAHO FIRE RESTRICTIONS AREA

Big Desert Zone

All of Bannock, Butte, Bingham, Jefferson and Madison Counties, and portions of Power and Oneida Counties, and portions of Bonneville County west of Ririe Reservoir and all lands not administered by Caribou/Targhee National Forest, and portions of Madison County not administered by the Caribou/Targhee National Forest. Excludes those lands in Power and Oneida Counties that are administered by the Sawtooth National Forest. Excludes those lands in Butte County administered by Salmon/Challis National Forest and excludes those portions of the Upper Snake River Field Office administered by Central Idaho Dispatch.

Caribou Highlands Zone

All of Bear Lake, Caribou, and Franklin Counties.

Centennial Zone

All of Clark, Fremont, and Teton Counties and portions of Bonneville County east of Ririe Reservoir and lands administered by Caribou/Targhee National Forest, and portions of Madison County administered by Caribou/Targhee National Forest.

For a detailed map, showing all Idaho Fire Restriction Areas, visit: https://www.idl.idaho.gov/fire-management/fire-restrictions-finder/

The following acts are prohibited until further notice:

- 1. Building, maintaining, attending, or using a fire, campfire, or stove fire except within a designated recreation site or on their own land and only within an owner-provided fire structure (see definition).
- 2. Smoking, except within an enclosed vehicle, building, or designated recreation site, or while stopped in an area at least three feet in diameter that is barren or cleared of all flammable materials.

DEFINITIONS:

<u>Designated Recreation Site</u>: 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.

Owner-Provided Fire Structure: A permanent metal or concrete improvement specifically designed for the purpose of containing a campfire or cooking fire, provided by the agency or landowner, with a clearance of ten feet on all sides that is free of any flammable vegetation. This does not include a metal fire pan.

EXEMPTIONS:

1. Persons with a written permit that specifically authorizes the otherwise prohibited act.

- 2. Persons using a fire solely fueled by liquid petroleum or LPG fuels. Such devices, including propane campfires, may be used only in an area cleared of flammable material.
- 3. Private landowners using charcoal (disposed of properly) or propane barbecues on their own lands.
- 4. Persons conducting activities in those designated areas where the activity is specifically authorized by written, posted notice.
- 5. Any federal, state, or local officer or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.

For additional information on restrictions in a specific area, please contact the local land management office.

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

These restrictions shall be in full force and effect from 0001 hours, Thursday, August 7, 2025 until this order is otherwise rescinded.

Julia Lauch, State Forester Idaho Department of Lands

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