SAN BERNARDINO NATIONAL FOREST Forest Order No. 05-12-00-24-02 Fire Restrictions

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 551 and 36 C.F.R. § 261.50(a), and to provide for public safety, the following acts are prohibited within the San Bernardino National Forest. This Order is effective from February 2, 2024, through December 31, 2024.

- 1. Building, maintaining, attending or using a fire, campfire, or stove fire except in a Forest Service-provided campfire ring or standing grill within a Developed Recreation Site. 36 C.F.R. § 261.52(a).
- 2. Smoking, except within an enclosed vehicle or building, or while stopped in an area at least three feet in diameter that is barren or cleared of all flammable material. 36 C.F.R. § 261.52(d).
- 3. Operating an internal combustion engine off paved, gravel or dirt National Forest System roads and trails, except boats on a water surface. 36 C.F.R. § 261.52(h).
- Welding, or operating an acetylene or other torch with open flame. 36 C.F.R. § 261.52(i).

Pursuant to 36 C.F.R. § 261.50(e), the following persons are exempt from this Order:

- 1. Persons with Forest Service Permit No. FS-7700-48 (Permit for Use of Roads, Trails, or Areas Restricted by Regulation or Order), specifically exempting them from this Order.
- 2. Persons with a special use authorization from the Forest Service specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited acts or omissions.
- 3. Any federal, state, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.
- 4. Persons with a valid California Campfire Permit are not exempt from the prohibitions listed above. However, persons with a valid California Campfire Permit may use a portable campfire ring/pit, stove, or lantern in an area at least five feet from any flammable materials provided that the portable campfire ring/pit, stove, or lantern only burns gas, kerosene, jellied petroleum, or pressurized liquid fuel, and has a shut-off valve.

These prohibitions are in addition to the general prohibitions in 36 C.F.R. § 261, Subpart A.

A violation of these prohibitions is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000 for an individual or \$10,000 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than 6 months, or both. 16 U.S.C. § 551 and 18 U.S.C. §§ 3559, 3571 and 3581.

Executed in San Bernardino, California, this 1st day of February, 2024.

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