



## MALHEUR NATIONAL FOREST

Forest Order # 2015-0604-MAL-02F

### FIRE RESTRICTIONS

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Pursuant to 36 CFR, Sec. 261.50(a) and (b), the following acts are prohibited on all areas within the Malheur National Forest, beginning upon signature, October 19, 2015, until further notice:

1. It is prohibited to build, tend or maintain a campfire, including fires with charcoal briquette fires (**36 CFR 261.52a**), except in accordance with the following requirements:
  1. **Campfires** allowed only in fire pits surrounded by dirt, rock, or commercial rings and in areas not conducive to rapid fire spread, at a minimum clear of all flammable material within a radius of 3 feet from the edge of the pit and free of overhanging material. Use existing pits wherever possible.
    - a. Campfires must be attended at all times, and completely extinguished prior to leaving.
    - b. Persons with campfires are required to have a tool that can serve as a shovel and one gallon of water in their possession (except in specified developed recreation sites listed in Exhibit A where campground host is present). The intent of this requirement is to ensure individuals with a campfire to have the tools necessary to completely extinguish their campfire per "a" above.
    - c. Portable cooking stoves using liquefied or bottled gas and wood burning stoves equipped with a chimney that is at least five (5) feet in length with a spark-arresting screen consisting of ¼ inch mesh hardware cloth are allowed.
    - d. Use of charcoal briquettes is permitted under the same restrictions as campfires as described above.

Pursuant to 36 CFR, Sec. 261.50(e), the following persons are exempt from this order:

- (1.) Persons with a permit specifically authorizing the prohibited act or omission.
- (2.) Any Federal, State or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.

These prohibitions are in addition to the general prohibitions in 36 CFR Part 261, Subpart A.

Done at John Day, Oregon, this 19 day of October, 2015.



for STEVEN K. BEVERLIN  
Forest Supervisor  
Malheur National Forest

Violation of these prohibitions is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5000 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 and 3571)



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### EXHIBIT A

#### DESIGNATED RECREATION SITES

##### EMIGRANT RANGER DISTRICT

- Idlewild Campground\*\*
- Yellowjacket Campground\*\*
- Rock Springs Camp (T.18S. R.32E. Sec24)
  - Delintment Campground\*\*
    - Falls Campground
  - Joaquin Miller Campground
  - Buck Spring Campground
  - Tip Top Campground

##### PRAIRIE CITY RANGER DISTRICT

- Strawberry Campground
- Trout Farm Campground
- Big Creek Campground
- North Fork Campground
- Elk Creek Campground
- Crescent Campground
- Little Crane Campground
- Murray Campground
  - Slide Horse Camp
    - Slide Creek

##### BLUE MOUNTAIN RANGER DISTRICT

- Canyon Meadows Campground (Closed)
- Wickiup Campground
- Parish Cabin Campground
- Starr Campground
- Dixie Campground
- Middle Fork Campground
- Lower Camp Creek Campground
- Magone Lake Campground\*\*
- Deerhorn Campground
- Oregon Mine Campground
- Billy Fields Campground

\*\*Indicates campgrounds that are exempt from the requirements to have a shovel, axe and one gallon of water.



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**Assessment of Need and Enforcement Plan**

**1. Background:**

These restrictions have been deemed necessary because of seasonably dry fire conditions on the forest.

**2. Intent of Subpart B Order:**

These restrictions are intended to reduce the occurrence of human caused wildfires.

**3. Enforcement Plan:**

This order will be enforceable by LEOs, FPOs and Special agents. Education will be emphasized during initial implementation phase of this order. Officers will exercise normal discretion in resolving violations. Evening patrols will be emphasized, especially on weekends.

**4. Posting:**

The forest and district staff is responsible for posting this order in a reasonable manner.

<u>Action</u>	<u>Responsible Official</u>	<u>Date</u>
Prepare proposed order	Appropriate Staff with LEI input	10-19-15
Review proposed order	Patrol Captain	10-19-15
Approve proposed order	Forest Supervisor	
Post order in accordance with 36 CFR 261.51	District Staff Officer and Staff	
Prepare news release for local media describing the order and management objectives	PAO	
Education will be emphasized during initial implementation phase of this order. Officers will exercise normal discretion in resolving violations. Officers will normally not issue citations unless the affected areas are adequately posted. Evening patrols will be emphasized, especially on weekends.	Law Enforcement Personnel/Forest Protection Officers	Upon Approval

  
STEVEN K. BEVERLIN  
Forest Supervisor

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