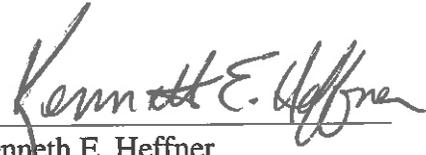


TERMINATION OF ORDER NO: 15-05
LOS PADRES NATIONAL FOREST

Effective January 09, 2016, Order No. 15-05, dated May 5, 2015, is terminated.

Executed in Goleta, California, this 8th day of January 2016.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kenneth E. Heffner", written over a horizontal line.

Kenneth E. Heffner
Acting Forest Supervisor
Los Padres National Forest

ORDER NO. 16-01
LOS PADRES NATIONAL FOREST
FIRE USE RESTRICTIONS

Pursuant to 36 CFR 261.50(a), and to provide for public safety and protect natural resources, the following act is prohibited within the Los Padres National Forest. This Order is effective from January 9, 2016, through December 31, 2016.

Building, maintaining, attending or using a fire, campfire, or stove fire, except in the Designated Campfire Use Sites listed in Exhibit A. 36 CFR 261.52(a).

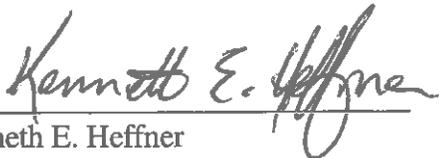
Pursuant to 36 CFR 261.50(e), the following persons are exempt from this Order:

1. Persons with a valid California Campfire Permit or a permit from the Forest Service specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission.
2. Persons with a Special Use Permit from the Forest Service for a recreation residence in a recreation residence tract, may build, maintain, attend or use an elevated charcoal grill, propane grill or campfire at their recreation residence, provided that they have a valid California Campfire Permit and comply with the terms of the permit.
3. Any Federal, State or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.

This prohibition is in addition to the general prohibitions in 36 CFR Part 261, Subpart A.

A violation of this prohibition 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 six months, or both. 16 USC 551 and 18 USC 3559, 3571, and 3581.

Done at Goleta, California this 8th day of January, 2016.



Kenneth E. Heffner
Acting Forest Supervisor
Los Padres National Forest



Date: January 8, 2016

Subject: Order No. 16-01
Los Padres National Forest
Fire Use Restrictions

To: File

From: Kenneth E. Heffner, Acting Forest Supervisor

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In order to protect natural resources and provide for public safety, I am imposing a forest-wide campfire permit requirement from January 9, 2016 through December 31, 2016, except of in the designated campfire use sites located within the area specified in Exhibit A. Over the last 20 years, the Los Padres National Forest has experienced a significant increase in dispersed camping and hiking activities leading to more campfires and camp stoves on National Forest System (NFS) lands. Coupled with heavy forest fuel loadings, Sudden Oak Death Syndrome, periods of extreme fire weather, and years of below-normal rainfall, the risk of catastrophic fire has also increased. With the ever-increasing urban and rural development within and adjacent to NFS lands, the potential harm to human life and loss of property from a catastrophic wildfire is greater than ever before. These circumstances are the driving force behind implementing the forest-wide campfire permit requirement.

The Forest Order also ensures that an effective, standardized administrative mechanism is in place to address the visitor use on NFS lands. It provides a comprehensive program for public education about safe fire use and fire regulations. It gives Forest Service employees an effective tool for administering the use of campfires and camp stoves by the public. By clearly identifying where a campfire permit is required, the risk of fire escape is reduced and the impact of the escape can be minimized.

I have concluded that this decision may be categorically excluded from documentation in an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) or Environmental Assessment (EA) under the National Environmental Policy Act. This action falls within the category identified in 36 CFR 220.6(d)(1) – prohibitions to provide short-term resource protection or to protect public health and safety – and does not require documentation in a decision memo, decision notice, or record of decision. I have determined that there are no extraordinary circumstances associated with this temporary closure. Implementation of the decision may begin immediately.

ORDER NO, 16-01
LOS PADRES NATIONAL FOREST
FIRE USE RESTRICTIONS
EXHIBIT A
Designated Campfire Use Sites

Monterey Ranger District

Arroyo Seco Campground I Group Camp
Arroyo Seco Day Use Area
Bottchers Gap Campground
China Camp
Escondido Campground
Kirk Creek Campground
Naciamiento Campground
Mill Creek Day Use Area
Plaskett Creek Campground / Group Camp
Ponderosa Campground
Sand Dollar Day Use Area
Santa Lucia Memorial Park Campground
White Oaks Camp

Ojai Ranger District

Holiday Group Campground
Middle Lion Campground
Pine Mountain Campground
Reyes Peak Campground Rose
Valley Campground Wheeler
Gorge Campground

Santa Lucia Ranger District

American Canyon Campground
Baja Campground
Bates Canyon Campground
Brookshire Campground
Buck Spring Campground
Cerro Alto Campground
Colson Campground
Cumbre Day Use Area
Davy Brown Campground
Figueroa Campground
Friis Campground
Hi Mountain Campground
Horseshoe Spring Campground
La Panza Campground Miranda
Pine Campground Navajo
Campground
Navajo 011V Staging Area
Nira Campground
Pino Alto Day Use Area

Mount Pinos Ranger District

Aliso Park Campground
Ballinger Campground
Caballo Campground
Campo Alto Campground
Chuchupate Campground
Chula Vista Campground
Dome Springs Campground
Dutchman Campground
Halfmoon Campground
Kings Camp Campground
Marian Campground
McGill Campground
McGill Group Campground
Mt. Pinos Campground Nettle
Springs Campground Pine
Springs Campground Rancho
Nuevo Campground Reyes
Creek Campground Thorn
Meadows Campground Tinta
Campground
Toad Springs Campground
Valle Vista Campground

Santa Barbara Ranger District

Falls Day Use Area
Fremont Campground
Live Oak Day Use Area
Los Prietos Campground
Lower Oso Day Use Area
Paradise Campground
Red Rock Day Use Area
Sage Hill Campground
Upper Oso Campground
White Rock Day Use Area
Rock Camp
P-Bar Flat Campground
Mono Campground
Middle Santa Ynez Campground
First Crossing Day Use Area