

SPECIAL ORDER
KOOTENAI NATIONAL FOREST REGION ONE

STAGE I FIRE RESTRICTIONS

Pursuant to 36 Code of Federal Regulations 261.50 (a) and (b) **the following acts are prohibited** on all National Forest System lands administered by the Kootenai National Forest in Lincoln and Sanders Counties, Montana.

These restrictions are in addition to those enumerated in Subpart A, Part 261, Title 36 Code of Federal Regulations and **become effective at 0001 a.m. Mountain Daylight Time on Friday, July 28th, 2017** and will remain in effect until rescinded.

36 CFR 261.52 - Fire

1. Building, maintaining, attending or using a fire, campfire or stove fire.
[36 CFR 261.52(a)]

Note: For the purpose of this order under Stage I fire restrictions; stove fires, campfires and charcoal fires are allowed **ONLY** at developed designated recreation sites, campgrounds or improved sites, as listed in Exhibit A.

2. Smoking: except only 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 material.[36 CFR 261.52(d)]

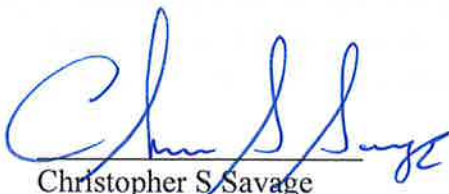
Note: For the purpose of this order under Stage I fire restrictions, the above exception for smoking also includes improved places of habitation, developed designated recreation sites, campgrounds or improved sites, as listed in Exhibit A, where an area at least three feet in diameter is barren or cleared of all flammable material.

Exemptions:

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

1. Persons with a permit specifically authorizing the otherwise 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.

Signed this day on July 27, 2017



Christopher S. Savage
Forest Supervisor
Kootenai National Forest

Penalty:

Violations of these prohibitions are punishable by a fine of not more than \$5000 for an individual or \$10,000 for an organization, or imprisonment of not more than 6 months, or both. (16 U.S.C. 551 and 18 U.S.C. 3559 and 3571).

Notification:

A copy of this order shall be posted as prescribed under 36 CFR 261.51.

EXHIBIT A

In accordance with Stage I Fire Restrictions evoked under this Special Forest Order that, within the developed sites and special use permit resorts listed below, all persons shall be authorized to build and use a campfire within the confines of a metal or concrete fire ring or grill provided by the Forest Service or by the resort for that purpose. Fires within rock fire rings are not authorized. This exemption may be rescinded at any time due to severe weather conditions or major fire activity.

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Fortine Ranger District

Ant Flat Education Center
 Big Therriault Campground
 Birch Creek Recreation Area
 Blue Lake
 Clarence Guard Station
 Grave Creek Campground
 Horse Camp
 Little Therriault Campground
 Louis Lake
 Murphy Lake Campground
 North Dickey Lake Campground
 South Dickey Lake Day Use Area
 Weasel Cabin
 Weasel Lake
 Dispersed sites along the Grave Creek
 Road system, north of Birch Creek
 Recreation Area

Three Rivers Ranger District

Bad Medicine Campground
 Caribou Campground
 Dorr Skeels Recreation Site
 Garver Lookout
 Kilbrennan Lake Campground
 Pete Creek Campground
 Redtop Campground
 Ross Creek Picnic Area
 Spar Lake Campground
 Upper Ford Cabin
 Whitetail Campground
 Yaak Falls Campground
 Yaak River Campground

Rexford Ranger District

ABayance Bay Marina
 Camp 32 Campground
 Peck Gulch Campground
 Rexford Bench Complex
 Rocky Gorge Campground

Libby Ranger District

Fairview Rental Cabin
 Howard Lake Campground
 Koocanusa Marina
 Lake Creek Campground
 Loon Lake Campground
 McGillivray Campground & Day Area
 McGregor Lake Campground
 Pleasant Valley Campground
 Timberlane Campground

Cabinet Ranger District

Big Eddy Campground
 Bull River Campground
 Bull River Guard Station
 Gem Peak Lookout
 Marten Creek Campground
 Minton Peak Lookout
 North Shore Campground
 Sex Peak Lookout
 Triangle Pond Campground
 Willow Creek Campground

