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IFPL IV and Public Use Restrictions to Phase C

JOHN DAY, Ore. – Effective 12:01 a.m., Wednesday August 19th, the entire Malheur National Forest will move to an Industrial Fire Precaution Level 4 (IFPL IV), implementing that all operations are prohibited. Effective 12:01 a.m., Friday August 21st, the entire Malheur National Forest will be moving to Phase C of Public Use Restrictions. The following conditions will apply:

Phase C (indicators are Adjective fire danger High to Extreme; IFPL level IV)

1. **Campfires** not allowed. Liquid and bottle gas stoves only.
2. **No internal combustion engine operation**, except motor vehicles.
3. **Smoking** allowed only in enclosed vehicles and buildings, developed recreation sites, or cleared areas.
4. **No off-road/off-trail vehicle travel** or travel on roads not cleared of standing grass or other flammable material; no vehicle travel on those FS roads where access has been impeded or blocked by earthen berm, logs, boulders, barrier, barricade or gate, or as otherwise identified in the Fire Order.

Forest Officials encourage everyone to be safe and careful when recreating, hunting, or using the National Forest. Although temperatures are getting cooler at night, we are still in fire season; vegetation is still very dry, and the weather is still hot during the day.

The public is responsible for knowing if restrictions are in place and can obtain information through many avenues:

Call the Forest's offices or District offices at:

- Malheur National Forest Supervisors/Blue Mountain Ranger District Offices: 541-575-3000
- Prairie City Ranger District: 541-820-3800
- Emigrant Creek Ranger District: 541-573-4300
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For more information on the Malheur National Forest, please visit us at www.fs.usda.gov/malheur, follow U.S. Forest Service- Malheur National Forest on Facebook, and follow @MalheurNF on Twitter for all the latest forest news.

To report a wildfire call:

- John Day Interagency Dispatch Center: 1-541-575-1321
- Burns Interagency Dispatch Center: 1-541-573-1000



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