

# Klamath National Forest

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## Fire Restrictions Lifted on Klamath National Forest

Yreka, Calif., October 9, 2009-The impending storm that is expected to reach the area by Monday evening, has prompted the Klamath National Forest to lift its fire restrictions order.

"The approaching storm is expected to bring a significant amount of rain," said Deputy Forest Supervisor Kelly Russell. "Therefore, as of midnight on Monday, October 12, 2009 we are lifting our fire restrictions."

The lifting of the Forest's fire restrictions allows visitors to have open campfires or camp stoves, as well as use welding equipment, operate internal combustion engines, and smoke. However, it is important to note that other National Forests surrounding the Klamath National Forest have different weather conditions and may or may not have lifted their fire restrictions. Visitors are encouraged to contact other Forests directly.

A valid California Campfire Permit is still required in order to have a campfire. Permits are available at all of the Klamath National Forest offices. Permits are also available at CAL FIRE and Bureau of Land Management offices.

Forest officials stress that the Northern California fire season is not yet over. "Larger fuels in the forest are fairly dry and the potential still exists for new fire starts," said Russell. "We ask that visitors use good fire sense and remember to never leave campfires unattended."

For more information concerning campfire building, extinguishing, and minimizing campfire impacts please visit a local Forest Service office or the Klamath National Forest website at [www.fs.fed.us/r5/klamath](http://www.fs.fed.us/r5/klamath).

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