

# USDA Forest Service

## San Bernardino National Forest



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### For Immediate Release

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## ***Fire Danger Level Raised on the San Bernardino National Forest***

**San Bernardino, CA**-The Fire Danger Level on the San Bernardino National Forest has been raised from "Moderate" to "High", as the 4<sup>th</sup> of July weekend approaches. The Fire Danger Level is determined by a variety of factors, including the moisture in vegetation, weather conditions and firefighting equipment needs due to national fire activity.

Forest visitors are advised that there are no new campfire restrictions, open wood and charcoal fires will still be permitted in developed campgrounds and picnic areas only. Gas and propane powered stoves and grills are permitted in non-developed areas with a California Campfire Permit. These permits can be obtained at any Forest Service Ranger Station.

Visitors are reminded that personal fireworks are never permitted on the National Forest. The monetary penalties for those in possession or discharge of fireworks on federal lands can range up to \$5000 and/or six months in jail. Additionally, if a wildfire results from an individual's use of fireworks, that person can be found liable for the cost of suppressing the fire.

The 1N09 shooting area will be closed to target shooting effective Friday, June 30, 2006. This closure will be for the duration of the fire season. Lightening Gulch and Big Pine Flats shooting areas on the Mountain Top Ranger District are open as well as private ranges in Big Bear and Lytle Creek.

For further information and to find out about local conditions at your planned destination, please call one of the following offices:

- Big Bear Ranger Station 909-382-2790
- Arrowhead Ranger Station 909-382-2782

- Lytle Creek Ranger Station 909-382-2850
- Mill Creek Ranger Station 909-382-2881
- Idyllwild Ranger Station 909-382-2921

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