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FIRE PREVENTION ORDER
ORDER NUMBER 13-01

Under authority of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (Title 43, United States Code, Section 1701, et. seq.) pursuant to Title 43, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 9212.2(a), the following Stage I restrictions are in effect for all public lands managed by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) within the Colorado counties of Archuleta, Delta, Dolores, La Plata, Montezuma, Montrose, Ouray, and San Miguel. The restrictions are being implemented due to adverse fire weather conditions and risks that are predicted to continue.

Under Title 43 CFR Section 9212.1, Prohibited Acts: Unless permitted in writing by the Authorized Officer, it is prohibited to perform any act restricted by this Fire Prevention Order on the above described public lands.

PROHIBITED ACTIONS:

- Building, maintaining, attending, or using a fire, campfire, or stove fire except within a permanent constructed fire grate in a developed campground or recreation site, or an improved site.
- Smoking, except within an enclosed vehicle or building, a developed recreation site, or while stopped in an area of at least three feet in diameter that is barren or cleared of all flammable materials.

In addition, the following actions are always prohibited on BLM-administered public lands:

- Using fireworks or other incendiary devices.
- Leaving fires unattended or unextinguished.

PERMITTED ACTIONS:

- Operating a stove, lantern, or other heating device fueled by liquid petroleum or bottled fuel equipped with a valve that allows the operator to turn the flame on and off.

- Operating an internal or external combustion engine with a properly installed and maintained spark-arresting device in effective working order that meets appropriate Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE) recommended practices (J335(b) and J350(a)).

EXEMPTIONS:

Pursuant to Title 43 CFR Section 9212.2, the following persons are exempt from this order:

- Any federal, state, or local officer or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.
- Any person with a BLM-issued permit specifically authorizing an otherwise prohibited act.

An exemption does not absolve an individual or organization from liability or responsibility for any fire started by the exempted activity.

PENALTIES:

Pursuant to Title 43 CFR § 9212.4, any person who knowingly and willfully violates the regulations at § 9212.1 of this title shall, upon conviction, be subject to a fine of not more than $1,000 or to imprisonment of not more than twelve months, or both. Restitution for total suppression or damage costs incurred will be borne by the violator.

This order shall go into effect beginning at 12:01 a.m. on June 19, 2013 and will remain in force until rescinded or December 31, 2013, whichever event occurs first.

Prepared in Montrose, Colorado on this 17th day of June 2013.

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