

POWDER RIVER COUNTY

PO Box 200
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**Resolution 2024-22
EMERGENCY SPECIAL FIRE RESTRICTIONS – STAGE 1**

WHEREAS, current fire danger levels are expected to continue in the range between very high and extreme; and

WHEREAS, the rapid onset and movement of fires may require Incident Commanders and Law Enforcement agencies to act immediately and at any time, to protect persons and their property;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE Powder River County Commissioners hereby declare a **Stage 1 Fire Restriction**, to be effective at **12:01 AM on July 29, 2024** and it shall continue to be in effect until further notice. During said restricted period, the following acts are **prohibited**:

- a. Building, maintaining, attending or using a fire or campfire, unless noted and allowed in the exemptions stated below;
- b. Smoking, except within an enclosed vehicle or building, a developed recreation site, or while stopped in an area at least three (3) feet in diameter that is barren or cleared of all flammable materials; and
- c. Any fireworks requiring an open flame to ignite, or that emit a spark, are prohibited until further notice.

EXEMPTIONS:

- a. Persons with a written permit that specifically authorizes the otherwise prohibited act;
- b. Persons using a fire solely fueled by liquid petroleum or LPG fuels;
- c. Persons conducting activities in those designated areas where the activity is specifically authorized by written posted notice;
- d. Any Federal, State or local officer or member of an organized rescue or fire-fighting force while in the performance of an official duty;
- e. All land within a city or town boundary is exempted;
- f. Other exemptions which are established and unique to each agency; and,
- g. Burn barrel with a spark arrester and wetting agent/fire retardant.

ADOPTED AND DATED this 22th Day of July, 2024.

Dated at Broadus, Montana, this 22nd day of July, 2024



Attest: Cynde Jo Gatlin
Cynde Jo Gatlin, Clerk & Recorder

Powder River County
Board of County Commissioners
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