STATE OF OREGON DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY

FIRE RESTRICTIONS

REGULATED CLOSURE PROCLAMATION

Number 01

Effective 01:00 a.m., PDT, June 14th, 2023

By virtue of the authority vested in me under the provisions of ORS 477.535 to 477.550, I hereby proclaim a Regulated Closure to be in effect in the following subject area:

All lands protected by the Northwest Oregon Forest Protection District in regulated use areas NW1, NW2 and NW3, and all lands within one-eighth mile thereof.

Under this Regulated Closure, except as to the owner's legal right of entry upon their land, entry to all forestland is unlawful unless entrants comply with the following restrictions:

- Recreational Fires, including campfires, charcoal fires, cooking fires and warming fires are permitted all day, with landowner approval, during low fire danger (GREEN). Recreational Fires are prohibited in moderate (BLUE) and high (YELLOW) fire danger, except at locations designated by the forester (Locations Attached). Recreational Fires are prohibited in extreme fire danger (RED). The use of portable appliances such as camp stoves and fire pits using liquified or bottled fuels are allowed in clear areas free of flammable vegetation. The following is required where open fires and appliances are allowed; one shovel and one gallon of water or one shovel and one 2 ½ pound fire extinguisher.
- The use of chain saws are permitted all day during low (GREEN) and moderate (BLUE) fire danger, and before 1:00 p.m. and after 8 p.m. during high fire danger (YELLOW). The use of chain saws are prohibited during extreme fire danger (RED). Each chain saw is required to have one shovel and one fire extinguisher of at least 8-ounce capacity. A firewatch of at least one hour is required following the use of each saw.
- Motor vehicles, including motorcycles and all-terrain vehicles, are only permitted on improved roads free of flammable vegetation. Possession of the following firefighting equipment is required while traveling, except on state highways, county roads and driveways: one shovel and one gallon of water or one shovel and one 2¹/₂ pound or larger fire extinguisher. All-terrain vehicles and motorcycles must be equipped with one 2¹/₂ pound or larger fire extinguisher.
 - Exception: Class I & III All-Terrain Vehicles (ATVs) are permitted to travel without a tool, water or extinguisher when operating on designated trails within the designated area.
 - Class II ATVs must carry a shovel <u>AND</u> fire extinguisher or water.
 - Class IV ATVs must carry a fire extinguisher at all times.
- Motorcycles and all-terrain vehicles use is prohibited, except on improved roads and on designated trails in the areas noted below in the exception:
 - Exception: All-Terrain Vehicles (ATVs) are permitted all day on designated trails in the following areas during periods of low (GREEN), and moderate (BLUE) fire danger and before 1:00 p.m. and after 8 p.m. during high fire danger (YELLOW). Motor vehicles, including motorcycles and ATVs, are prohibited during extreme fire danger (RED):
 - State Forest Land: Jordan Creek Basin, Rogers Basin, Trask Basin, Diamond Mill OHV Area, and Nicolai Mountain OHV Area.
 - OHV Designated Areas Map (Tillamook Forest)

<u>OHV Designated Areas Map (Clatsop</u> <u>Forest)</u>

- Cutting, grinding, and welding of metal is permitted all day during low (GREEN) and moderate (BLUE) fire danger, and before 1:00 p.m. and after 8 p.m. during high fire danger (YELLOW), as long as it is conducted in an area cleared of flammable vegetation and has a charged garden hose or one 2 ½ pound or larger fire extinguisher immediately available. Cutting, grinding, and welding of metal is prohibited during extreme fire danger (RED).
- The mowing of dried, cured grass is permitted all day during low (GREEN) and moderate fire danger (BLUE), and before 1:00 p.m. and after 8 p.m. during high fire danger (YELLOW). The mowing of dried, cured grass is prohibited during extreme fire danger (RED). The culture and harvest of agricultural crops is exempt from this requirement.
- Any other spark-emitting internal combustion engine not specifically mentioned is permitted all day during low (GREEN) and moderate fire danger (BLUE), and before 1:00 p.m. and after 8:00 p.m. during high fire danger (YELLOW) when conducted in a cleared area and a charged garden hose or one 2 ½ pound or larger fire extinguisher is immediately available. Any other spark-emitting internal combustion engine not specifically mentioned is prohibited during extreme fire danger (RED). In addition, a fire watch is required for at least one hour once the equipment has completed working for the day.
- Smoking is prohibited while traveling in forestlands, except in closed vehicles on improved roads and other designated locations.
- Use of fireworks is prohibited.

Aside from these restrictions, backyard debris burning requires a burn permit during low (**GREEN**) and moderate fire danger (**BLUE**) and is prohibited during high (**YELLOW**) and extreme fire danger (**RED**).

The use of exploding targets and tracer ammunition is prohibited. Additionally, the use of sky lanterns is prohibited in the State of Oregon at all times (ORS 476.735).

The State Forester or an authorized representative may, in writing, approve a modification or waiver of these requirements.

These restrictions shall remain in effect until replaced, suspended, or terminated by an additional proclamation of the State Forester or an authorized representative.

Maps of the subject area may be viewed at the State Forester's Office in Salem, Oregon, and at principal offices of the Forest Protection District. It is the responsibility of the individual to know what the daily fire danger level is and how it affects regulated activities.

Definitions of words and phrases used in this proclamation may be found in ORS 477.001, OAR 629-041-0005.

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