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Overnight Camping, Some Recreational Activities Restricted in Elliott State Forest Due to Wildfire Danger

Unseasonably hot, dry conditions elevate wildfire risk

The Department of State Lands and Oregon Department of Forestry today announced restrictions to some recreational activities in the Elliott State Forest, amid high wildfire risk.

Conditions in the area are unseasonably hot and dry with little humidity, which can cause significant spread of new and existing fires. Certain recreational activities can create sparks that lead to wildfires, a risk that has heightened due to prolonged drought and heat in the area.

The following activities are prohibited in the Elliott State Forest until further notice:

- Overnight camping
- Use of firearms
- Campfires and wood cutting
- Motor vehicle travel on certain roads

Vehicles may continue to access the Elliott using certain maintained roads. A map and list of the roads visitors are allowed to use can be found on the [DSL website](#). Visitors are asked to stay vigilant and help prevent new blazes by adhering to the restrictions and reporting any concerning activity to DSL.

Multiple wildfires are burning across the Pacific Northwest, straining firefighting resources, and increasing the need for preventative action to protect public safety and forest health.

DSL will continue to evaluate conditions. For current status updates, visit www.oregon.gov/DSL or call 541-388-6345 or 541-388-6289.

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