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Fire Restrictions Implemented in Southwest Utah

Due to increasing potential for human caused wildfire activity, dry conditions, and high fire danger in southwest Utah, Color Country Interagency Fire Managers are implementing fire restrictions beginning **Friday, June 1 at 00:01 a.m.** The following describes the restrictions implemented by each fire management agency in the Color Country Fire Management Area.

Restricted Lands in Washington, Iron, Beaver, Kane and Garfield Counties:

- **Unincorporated privately owned and all state administered lands (Utah Division of Forestry Fire and State Lands). Incorporated towns and cities are not included in these restrictions. (Contact your local fire department for municipal restrictions).**
- **Bureau of Land Management in Beaver, Iron, Kane, Garfield, and Washington Counties, in addition to the Henry Mountains portion of Wayne County, Utah. Henry Mountains restrictions are further defined as BLM administered land east of Notum Road Scenic Byway, south of Hanksville Scenic Byway/Hwy 24, and west of Bicentennial Scenic Byway/Hwy 95.**
- **Dixie National Forest (Pine Valley, Cedar City, Powell and Escalante Ranger Districts).**
- **National Park Service (Zion National Park, Bryce Canyon National Park, Cedar Breaks National Monument, Pipe Springs National Monument, Glen Canyon National Recreation Area, and Rainbow Bridge National Monument).**
- **Bureau of Indian Affairs (Trust Lands of the Shivwits, Cedar, Indian Peaks, and Kaibab Band Reservations).**

Restrictions:

The Following acts are prohibited until further notice:

1. Igniting, building, maintaining, or using a fire, including charcoal and briquettes, outside a fire structure provided by the agency within a designated area is prohibited. All debris burning is strictly prohibited.

Campfires are allowed in all developed recreation sites, campgrounds, picnic areas, and home sites that are maintained and administered by the agency, or home sites where running water is present are allowed. Stoves or grills that are fueled solely by liquid petroleum fuels are also allowed. In Glen Canyon National Recreation Area, Campfires are also permitted below the high water mark of the lake in areas devoid of vegetation. Holders of Forest Service Special Use Authorizations are exempt from restriction #1; provided such fires are within a fire structure and are within their permitted area.

2. Discharging, or using any kind of fireworks on unincorporated private land (always prohibited on state and federal lands).
3. Operating or using any internal or external combustion engine without a spark arresting device properly installed, maintained and in effective working order as determined by the Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE) recommended practices J335 and J350.
4. Detonating of explosives, incendiary or chemical devices, pyrotechnics, or exploding targets, or tracer ammunition (always prohibited on federal land).
5. Cutting, welding, or grinding of metal in areas of dry vegetation.
6. Smoking except in an enclosed vehicle or building, or a developed recreation site or areas of a minimum of three (3) feet in diameter cleared down to mineral soil.

Please Note: Lands not in fire restrictions are becoming increasingly dry and fire danger is increasing daily. Please ensure your campfire is completely out before you leave and all ignition sources are a safe distance away from vegetation to mitigated unwanted wildfires.

Fire Managers are continually evaluating the need for further fire restrictions. Please verify with your local land management agency before conducting any fire related activity in question.

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For more information on fires across the country, visit www.inciweb.org.

