

UTAH INTERAGENCY FIRE

Color Country Interagency News Release



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Southwest Utah implementing additional fire restrictions

Beaver, Utah - Color Country Interagency Fire Mangers are expanding Stage 1 fire restrictions to include Beaver County beginning **July 1, 2022** at 12:01 a.m. on all unincorporated county, state and federally administered public lands in the following Utah counties: Washington, Kane, Garfield, Iron **and Beaver (excluding Fishlake National Forest, Beaver Ranger District).**

"In consultation with our federal partners and the Beaver County Commission, we are taking additional fire prevention measures by implementing fire restrictions in Beaver County," said Mike Melton, a Fire Management Officer in southwest Utah. "The current monsoonal surge is predicted turn to hotter and drier conditions starting the first part of July. Our goal is to reduce human caused fires by using the tools available to us."

While fire restrictions are in effect, the following acts are prohibited:

- No campfires or open fires outside of agency improved and maintained campgrounds and home sites in southwest Utah. Running water is required on cabins or homesites on unincorporated private land. Devices fueled by liquid petroleum are allowed.
- No discharging of fireworks or other pyrotechnic devices outside of incorporated city limits (city specific restrictions may apply).
- No shooting of exploding targets or tracer ammunition.
- No cutting, grinding, or welding of metal in areas of dry vegetation. This includes acetylene torches.
- No use of equipment without a working and properly maintained spark arrestor (if required).
- No smoking near vegetation or outside of a developed recreation site, personal vehicle or building.
- No campfires are allowed in Zion National Park, including Lava Point.
- Campfires are allowed at Glen Canyon in established campgrounds within established rings and below the water line only, in areas completely void of vegetation.

Please be aware that fire restrictions will be slightly different among agencies and these restrictions do not apply to incorporated cities. Please check the specific fire restrictions with the respective land management agency before visiting.

Additionally, slightly drier conditions and increased fire activity in northern Arizona caused the Arizona Strip to implement campfire and smoking restrictions on May 5, 2022. For more information on northern Arizona fire restrictions, please visit <https://go.usa.gov/xuy7E>.

Local, state, and federal fire officials urge Utahns to use their 'Fire Sense' to help prevent unwanted wildfires. 'Fire Sense' is an interagency fire awareness campaign that was implemented last year to increase public knowledge on how to prevent wildland fires. For more information on preventing unwanted human caused wildfires, agency-specific restrictions, and reference maps, visit www.utahfiresense.org, www.utahfireinfo.gov and www.wildlandfire.az.gov or follow us on Twitter, [@UtahWildfire](https://twitter.com/UtahWildfire).

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