

## **State of Utah** DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

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ORDER # UTCLO2504

## Fire Restriction Order (Stage 1)

Due to current and forecasted weather conditions coupled with the record dry vegetation conditions and extreme fire danger throughout Utah, the State Forester has determined that measures must be taken to prevent the ignition of forest and rangeland fires. Therefore, pursuant to Utah State Law, Section 65A-8-212, the following acts (also known as "Stage 1 Fire Restrictions) are prohibited in the areas described below until rescinded by the Utah State Forester:

1. No open fires of any kind except within established facilities in improved campgrounds or day-use areas on **public lands**. -OR- in permanently constructed fire pits at **permanent private dwellings** served by pressurized running water.

2. Smoking, except within an enclosed vehicle, trailer or building, a developed recreation site or while stopped in an area that is paved or free from dry vegetation.

3. Cutting, welding or grinding metal in areas of dry vegetation.

4. Operating a motorcycle, chainsaw, ATV, or other small internal combustion engine without an approved and working spark arrestor.

5. Discharging or using fireworks, tracer ammunition or other pyrotechnics devices including exploding targets.

\*The fire restriction NECLO2502 will be unchanged and will remain in effect until rescinded.

The following persons are exempted from the above prohibitions:

- 1. Persons with a permit or waiver issued by the Division, specifically authorizing a specified act at a specific location. A waiver does not relieve the permittee of liability if a fire does occur.
- 2. Any on-duty firefighter in the performance of an official duty.

Area Description: All state lands -AND- all unincorporated private lands within the state of Utah.

This order does not affect private lands within incorporated towns or city limits.

Any of the above acts is a violation of state law and is punishable by up to 6 months in jail and a fine of up to \$1,000. These restrictions will be enforced by county law enforcement.

Effective Date: 12:01 a.m., 28th day of June, 2025

Brett Ostler Brett Ostler, State Fire Management Officer

**Jamie Barnes (Jun 26, 2025 14:00 MDT)** 

Jamie Barnes, State Forester

