

**STATE OF OREGON
DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY**

FIRE RESTRICTIONS
REGULATED CLOSURE PROCLAMATION

Number 01

Effective 12:01 a.m., PDT June 27, 2024

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 Walker Range Forest Protection District and all forestland 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:

- Smoking is prohibited while traveling, except in vehicles on improved roads.
- Campfires are prohibited, including campfires, charcoal fires, cooking fires and warming fires on Gilchrist State Forest, Shanda DA Asset LLC, Bell A Land and Cattle, Gabrych Family Partnership, Black Rock Ranch and Mansfield Property.

Campfires are allowed on your personal property, as long as you, the property owner take the following precautions.

- ◆ Build the campfire in an open area away from overhanging branches and clear of flammable material within a 10-foot diameter circle. Campfire pit must be dug down to mineral soil. Line the perimeter with rocks, building blocks, metal or concrete. Flame length should not exceed two (2) feet in height. *No bonfires.*
- ◆ Do not leave fire unattended.
- ◆ Have available at campfire site, a shovel, charged hose or 5 lb. ABC Fire Extinguisher.
- ◆ Do not have a campfire under windy conditions.
- ◆ Drown the campfire with water. Be sure all material has been cooled and extinguished. Do not bury the hot embers—campfires can smolder and escape your campfire ring during windy times.
- ◆ No material will exceed the campfire perimeter—nothing overhanging the sides of the campfire perimeter.
- ◆ No burning of household rubbish.
- ◆ Portable cooking stoves using liquefied or bottled fuels are allowed.
- Chain saw use is prohibited between the hours of 1:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. During other hours, chain saw users must have a shovel, an 8-oz or larger fire extinguisher or a charged hose capable of reaching the cutting area at the job site.

- Use of fireworks is prohibited on Gilchrist State Forest, Shanda DA Asset LLC, Bell A Land and Cattle, Gabrych Family Partnership, Black Rock Ranch and Mansfield Property. Fireworks that are legal in the State of Oregon are allowed on your property on maintained green lawns, or non-flammable maintained driveways.
- The cutting, grinding and welding of metal is prohibited between 10:00 am and 8:00 pm. These activities will be allowed during other hours provided the work site is cleared of flammable vegetation and other materials, and a water supply is at the job site.
- Blasting is prohibited between the hours of 1:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.
- Use of motor vehicles, including motorcycles and all-terrain vehicles, is prohibited, except on improved roads and trails free of grass and other flammable vegetation or for the commercial culture and harvest of agricultural crops.
- All motor vehicles must be in good operating condition, which means fully ready for intended use, maintained in accordance with any manufacturer's recommendations and, where appropriate, properly installed and free of leaks.
- Possession of the following firefighting equipment is required while traveling in a motorized vehicle, except on federal and state highways, county roads and driveways: one shovel and one gallon of water or one operational 2 ½ pound or larger fire extinguisher. All-terrain vehicles and motorcycles must be equipped with one operational 2 ½ pound or larger fire extinguisher.

Aside from these restrictions, also prohibited throughout fire season is backyard debris burning, the use of exploding targets and tracer ammunition.

The Forester 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 Forester.

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.

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

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