



Grants Pass Department Of Public Safety



Nature: ODF Increases Fire Danger to Moderate

Location: Josephine County & City of Grants Pass

Date: June 22nd, 2018

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Details:

As we move into the 2018 fire season, the fire danger level on lands protected by the Oregon Department of Forestry and within the City limits increase to "Moderate" (blue). As of Saturday, **June 23rd at 12:01 a.m.**, the following restrictions will be in place:

The following activities are restricted and can NOT be performed between 1:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.:

- Operation of chain saws
- Cutting, grinding and welding of metal
- Mowing of dead or dried grass (excludes commercial harvest of agricultural crops)
- Use of any other spark-emitting internal combustion engine not mentioned

The following activities are prohibited at ALL times:

- Burn barrels and debris piles
- Fireworks on forest lands
- Exploding targets, tracer ammunition or any bullet with a pyrotechnic charge in it's base
- Open fires including campfires, charcoal fires, cooking and warming fires (exception for defined campgrounds)
- Motor vehicle use, other than on improved roads free of flammable vegetation (no off road use)

Other restrictions include:

Smoking while traveling is only allowed in enclosed vehicles on improved roads, in boats on the water and other specifically designated areas

Possession of the following firefighting equipment is required while traveling, except on state highways, county roads and driveways: One shovel and one gallon of water or one 2 ½ pound or larger fire extinguisher (all-terrain vehicles and motorcycles must be equipped with one 2 ½ or larger fire extinguisher)

All electric fence controllers must be approved by a nationally recognized testing laboratory

For complete details, current fire information, restrictions, and general information, please visit www.grantspassoregon.gov at any time and click the “Fire Information” link

Remember to reduce your risk of wildfire by keeping gutters and porches clear of leaves and pine needles, keep flammable materials (firewood stack, propane tanks, etc.) at least 30 feet from your home, and cover attic vents with metal wire mesh no larger than 1/8th inch to prevent ember entry.

The Department of Public Safety would like you to have a safe and fun summer season. If you would like further safety tips or have any questions, please do not hesitate to call your fire prevention office at 541-450-6200.