

Year Round Wildfire Prevention Restrictions

Montana/Dakota's State Office Bureau of Land Management Department of the Interior

Under the authority of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1701 et. seq.) and pursuant to 43 CFR 9212.2, the following fire prevention orders are issued.

State and local laws

In the interest of Wildfire Prevention, Public Safety, and in compliance with 43 CFR 9212.2 requiring BLM actions to complement and support state and local Wildfire Prevention, all state and local Wildfire Prevention Laws and Regulations shall apply to all Bureau of Land Management lands within the states of Montana, North Dakota and South Dakota.

Acts Restricted by Fire Prevention Order

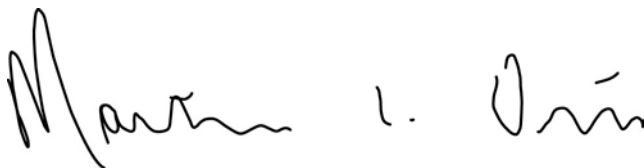
On all public lands administered by the Bureau of Land Management within the states of Montana, North Dakota, and South Dakota, unless otherwise authorized in writing, the following actions are prohibited:

- Discharging, using, or possessing fireworks.
- Discharging a firearm using incendiary or tracer ammunition.
- Burning, igniting or causing to burn any tire, wire, magnesium, or any other hazardous or explosive material.
- Operating any internal combustion engine on public lands unless the engine is equipped with a properly installed spark arrester pursuant to 43 CFR 8343.1(c).

Spark arresters are not required when an off-road vehicle is being operated in an area which has 3 or more inches of snow on the ground.

Title 43 CFR 9212.0-5, 9212.1 and 9212.4 wildfire prevention provides that any person who knowingly and willfully performs any act restricted by a Fire Prevention Order, upon conviction, be subject to a fine of not more than \$100,000 or to imprisonment of not more than 12 months or both. Restitution for total suppression and damage costs incurred will be borne by the trespasser. These Fire Prevention Orders will remain in effect from this date until rescinded.

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