

**RESOLUTION NO. 2012-17**  
**ESTABLISHING FIRE RESTRICTION FOR FREMONT COUNTY**

WHEREAS, based upon recommendation of the County Fire Warden, the board of Fremont County Commissioners are empowered by Wyoming Statute §35-9-301 through 35-9-304 to close areas to fire when fire danger in the county is extreme because of drought, the presence of any excessive amount of flammable material or for any other sufficient reason; and

WHEREAS, the County Fire Warden has recommended an open fire and firework ban on all state and private land within Fremont County; and

WHEREAS the Board of Fremont County Commissioners find there is an extreme danger of fire throughout Fremont County because of drought conditions and there is a presence of an excessive amounts of flammable materials and the high fire danger is aggravated by open burning and the use of incendiary devices;

NOW THEREFOR, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF FREMONT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS;

1. Effective JULY 2, at 12:00 P.M. until further notice of this Board, any open fire or discharge of any Class A, B, and/or C fireworks is prohibited on all state and private land including, but not limited to, all lands in Fremont County or in which Fremont County holds or owns an interest, including county roads, easements and rights-of-way in Fremont County. The prohibition is subject to the following exception:

- A. Trash or refuse burned between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m. inside containers equipped with spark arresters and are located within a cleared area that has at least ten (10) foot radius, and comply with all other laws and requirements.
- B. Camp fires contained within an established fire ring, or portable fire pits with screens or spark arrestor systems.
- C. Charcoal fires within enclosed grills
- D. Use of acetylene cutting torches or electric arc welder provided the torches or welders are used within cleared area with at least a ten (10) foot radius.
- E. Propane or open fire branding activities provided the branding activities are conducted within a cleared area with at least a ten (10) foot radius.
- F. Use of chain saw provided the chain saw has spark arresters properly installed and functioning.
- G. Federal, State or local fire or law enforcement officers participating in fire, emergency, and law enforcement activities.
- H. Public-sponsored fireworks display which are coordinated with the County Fire Warden or his designee.

I. Smoking in an enclosed vehicle or building, a developed recreation site, or while stopped in an area at least three feet in diameter that is barren or cleared of all flammable materials.

J. Ground-based fireworks which do not rise over 10 feet high or project over a 10-foot radius and which do not shower sparks may be used in appropriate areas consisting of thoroughly irrigated or thoroughly sprinkled ground and/or in a closed area between the hours of 8 p.m. and midnight on July 4<sup>th</sup> only.

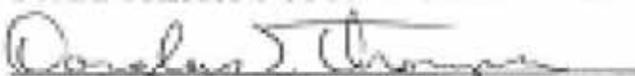
2. The County Fire Warden shall promptly notify the Board of County Commissioners of any changes in the severity of the fire danger.

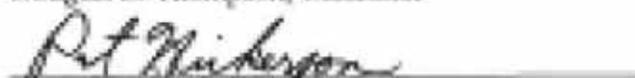
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that penalties provided in W.S. § 35-9-304 and W.S. §35-10-207 may be imposed for violations of this resolution; specifically, a fine not to exceed one hundred dollars (\$100.00) or imprisonment not to exceed thirty (30) days or both to which may be added cost of restitution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Fire Warden shall immediately notify the Wyoming State Forester of the limitation provided for by this Resolution, as well as any and all Commissioners' Rules and Regulations and shall assist in public notification by posting the order and circulating it to all local media.

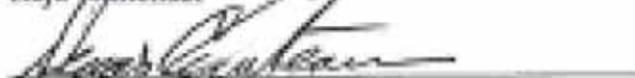
PASSED AND APPROVED this 3rd day of July, 2012.

BOARD FREMONT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

  
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ATTEST:

  
Julie A. Freese, Fremont County Clerk