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FIRE PREVENTION ORDER # NML03230-18-01

Due to current extreme fire conditions, and as fire conditions are expected to persist, the Las Cruces District will implement fire restrictions in order to help prevent unwanted human caused wildfires.

Pursuant to 43 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) §9212.2(a), the following acts are prohibited on all lands administered by the BLM Las Cruces District within the counties of Dona Ana, Grant, Hidalgo, Luna, Otero, and Sierra.

This order shall go into effect at 12:01 a.m., MDT, June 7, 2018 and will remain in effect until rescinded.

Prohibited Acts:

- 1. Building, maintaining, attending, or using a fire, campfire, charcoal, coal, or wood stove. The use of stoves fueled by pressurized liquid or gas (can be turned off) within areas cleared of flammable materials at least 10 feet in diameter is allowed.
- 2. Smoking, except within an enclosed vehicle or building, a developed sites and areas, or while stopped in an area at least 3 feet in diameter that is barren or cleared of all flammable materials.
- 3. Discharging, using, or possessing fireworks.

Exempted:

Any federal, state, local and/or military employee acting within the scope of their duties; members of any organized rescue or firefighting force performing official duty; and persons, agencies, municipalities or companies with a written permit that specifically authorizes the otherwise prohibited act. An exemption does not absolve an individual or organization from liability or responsibility for any fire started by an exempted activity.

Penalties:

Pursuant to Title 43 CFR §9212.4, any violation of this order is subject to punishment by a fine of not more than \$1,000 or imprisonment of not more than 12 months or both. Restitution for total costs of fire suppression or damage will be borne by the violator.

Information regarding these fire restrictions may be obtained by calling the Las Cruces District at (575) 525-4300. Dated this 31st day of May, 2018, at Las Cruces, New Mexico.

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