



United States Department of Agriculture
Forest Service
Southwestern Region – Cibola National Forest

STAGE I FIRE RESTRICTIONS

PROHIBITIONS

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. 551 and Title 36 C.F.R. 261.50 (a), the following acts are prohibited within the Kiowa and Rita Blanca National Grasslands of the Cibola National Forest, in the following counties: Colfax, Harding, Mora, and Union of New Mexico, Dallam of Texas and Cimarron of Oklahoma. The restricted areas as described in this order and depicted on the attached map hereby incorporated into this order as Exhibit A (the “restricted area”).

1. Building, maintaining, attending or using a fire, campfire, charcoal grills, coal, or wood stove, except in Forest Service designated recreation sites and campgrounds where grills and fire rings are provided. **36 CFR 261.52(a)**
2. Smoking, except within 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 material. **36 CFR 261.52 (d)**
3. Possessing, discharging or using any kind of fire work or other pyrotechnic device. **36 CFR 261.52.(f)**

EXEMPTIONS

Pursuant to Title 36 CFR 261.50 (e), the following persons are exempt from some or all of the provisions in this Order:

1. Persons with a permit specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission.
2. Any Federal, State or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.

AREA DESCRIBED

All National Forest System lands within the Kiowa and Rita Blanca National Grasslands of the Cibola National Forest, in the following counties: Colfax, Harding, Mora, and Union of New Mexico, Dallam of Texas and Cimarron of Oklahoma.

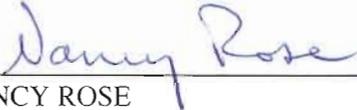
PURPOSE:

This order is necessary to protect public health and safety due to the increased fire danger

IMPLEMENTATION

1. This Order will be in effect at 8:00 a.m., Wednesday, March 4, 2009, and shall remain in effect until December 31, 2009 or until rescinded, whichever occurs first.
2. Any violation of this prohibition is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000 for individuals, and \$10,000 for organizations and/or imprisonment for not more than six months. Title 16 USC 551, Title 18 USC Sections 3559, 3571, and 3581].
3. This Order supersedes any previous orders prohibiting the same acts covered by this Order.

Done at Albuquerque, New Mexico this 2nd day of March, 2009.



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