

ORDINANCE 2023-18-7

TOWN OF BLUFF FIRE RESTRICTION ORDINANCE

WHEREAS, with record fuel moisture, widespread wind and drought conditions, and extreme fire danger;

WHEREAS, stage 1 restrictions include the following: (1) no open fires of any kind except within established public facilities or in permanently constructed fire pits at private homes where running water is present; (2) no smoking, except within an enclosed vehicle, trailer or building, a developed recreation site or while stopped in an area that is paved or free from dry vegetation; (3) no fireworks, tracer ammunition or other pyrotechnic devices including exploding targets; (4) no cutting, welding or grinding metal in areas of dry vegetation; and (5) no operating a motorcycle, chainsaw, ATV, or other small internal combustion engine without an approved and working spark arrestor;

WHEREAS, the Town of Bluff is an incorporated town and the private land within the town incorporated limits is subject to regulation;

WHEREAS, the Bluff Town Council concurs with the need for fire restrictions;

WHEREAS, the Town of Bluff is protected from damage by fires by a volunteer fire department with limited resources;

WHEREAS, The Town determines that the safety and welfare of the residents and visitors is paramount and that stage 1 fire restrictions should be implemented immediately.

THEREFORE, the Town of Bluff enacts the following fire restrictions consistent with Stage 1 restrictions:

(1) no open fires of any kind except within established public facilities or in permanently constructed fire pits at private homes where running water is present;

(2) No smoking, except within an enclosed vehicle, trailer or building, a developed recreation site or while stopped in an area that is paved or free from dry vegetation.

(3) No fireworks, tracer ammunition or other pyrotechnic devices including exploding targets.


(4) No cutting, welding or grinding metal in areas of dry vegetation.

(5) No operating a motorcycle, chainsaw, ATV, or other small internal combustion engine without an approved and working spark arrestor.

Effective upon approval.

APPROVED BY THE BLUFF TOWN COUNCIL ON THIS 18th DAY OF JULY 2023 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Mayor Ann K. Leppanen	<u>X</u>	___	___	___
Mayor Pro-tem Jim Sayers	<u>X</u>	___	___	___
Town Council Member Hook	<u>X</u>	___	___	___
Town Council Member Murray	<u>X</u>	___	___	___
Town Council Member Sosa	<u>X</u>	___	___	___



Mayor Ann K. Leppanen

Attest: 

Town Recorder Linda Sosa