



# Siuslaw Valley Fire and Rescue

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RE: Fire danger level

Effective at 1:00 PM on August 31, 2015, The Oregon Department of Forestry lowered the Industrial Fire Precaution Level to a I in Western Lane County and a II for Eastern and Southern lane County. The Regulated Use Closure is still in effect for the public.

**To follow suit Siuslaw Valley Fire and Rescue also is easing the restrictions in the fire district. A reminder; if the weather or fire conditions warrant, precaution levels may rise at any time.**

The following are the restrictions for all lands protected by Siuslaw Valley Fire and Rescue, including the City of Florence and Dunes City.

Under this Regulated Closure, except as to the owner's legal right of entry upon their land, entry to all forestland is unlawful unless entrants comply with the following restrictions:

- Smoking is prohibited while traveling, except in vehicles on improved roads, in boats on the water, and on sand or gravel bars that lie between water and high water marks that are free of vegetation.
- Open fires are prohibited, including campfires, charcoal fires, cooking fires and warming fires, except at designated locations. (Improved campgrounds with fire rings) Portable cooking stoves using liquefied or bottled fuels are allowed.
- Chain saw use is prohibited in areas subject to Industrial Fire Precaution Level III and IV.
- Chain saw use is prohibited, between the hours of 1:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m., in areas subject to Industrial Fire Precaution Level I and II. Chain saw use is permitted at all other hours, if the following firefighting equipment is present with each operating saw: one axe, one shovel, and one operational 8 ounce or larger fire extinguisher. In addition, a fire watch is required at least one hour following the use of each saw.
- Use of motorized vehicles, including motorcycles and all-terrain vehicles, is prohibited, except on improved roads or for the commercial culture and harvest of agricultural crops.
- All motor vehicles must be equipped with one gallon of water or one operational 2\_ pound or larger fire extinguisher, one axe, and one shovel, except when traveling on state highways and county roads and all driveways. All-terrain vehicles and motorcycles must be equipped with one operational 2\_ pound or larger fire extinguisher, except when traveling on state highways and county roads.
- Use of fireworks is prohibited.
- Cutting, grinding and welding of metal is prohibited, between the hours of 1:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. Cutting, grinding and welding of metal is permitted at all other hours, if conducted in a cleared area and if a water supply is present.

- Mowing of dried and cured grass with power driven equipment is prohibited, between the hours of 1:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m., except for the commercial culture and harvest of agricultural crops.
- Blasting is prohibited, between the hours of 1:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. Blasting is permitted at all other hours, if conducted in a cleared area and if a water supply is present.

The State Forester or an authorized representative may, in writing, approve a modification or waiver of these requirements.

**These restrictions shall remain in effect until replaced, suspended, or terminated by an additional proclamation of the State Forester or an authorized representative.**

Thank you for your cooperation in keeping our community safe!

Jim Langborg, Fire Chief

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