

United States Department of the Interior

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

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STAGE 1 FIRE RESTRICTIONS AT CRATER LAKE NATIONAL PARK

August 7, 2013

Extreme fire danger conditions exist in Crater Lake National Park. Early melting of the winter snowpack and a lack of rain during the summer season has increased the chance of both human and lightning-caused fires. Forest fuels are extremely dry, which makes large, fast-spreading wildland fires more likely.

To ensure public safety and to provide the highest degree of protection to park resources, the following restrictions will be implemented effective at midnight on Wednesday, August 7, 2013:

Campfires

- Wood fires and charcoal fires are permitted only within established grills or fire rings, or portable self-contained grills, in the following designated areas:
 - o Mazama Campground
 - o Rim Village Picnic Area ("Picnic Hill")
 - o Park residential areas
- Backcountry campfires are permitted only within established fire rings in the following designated campsites: Lightning Springs, Grouse Hill, Red Cone Springs, Bybee Creek, and Dutton Creek
- Gasoline and propane camp stoves and gas grills are permitted in campgrounds, picnic areas, backcountry areas and residential areas.

Smoking

- Smoking is permitted only in the following areas:
- In vehicles, provided that an ashtray is used for ashes and butts.
- While stopped in an area at least three (3) feet in diameter that is barren or free of all flammable materials. Ashes and butts must be disposed of safely and may not be discarded on the ground.

Fireworks

Fireworks are prohibited in the park at all times.

These restrictions are implemented pursuant to the authority described in 36 Code of Federal Regulations 1.5(a)(2), 2.13(c) and 2.21(a). While our goal is voluntary compliance, persons who fail to comply with these restrictions may be cited or arrested if necessary. We appreciate your cooperation.

/s/ Craig Ackerman (signed original on file)

Superintendent Crater Lake National Park