

**A DECLARATION OF CITY OF OURAY, COLORADO RESCINDING STAGE II AND
REINSTATING STAGE I FIRE RESTRICTIONS
(DECLARATION NO. 4, 2018)**

WHEREAS, City Council of the City of Ouray, Colorado pursuant to the City of Ouray Charter Section 2.3 (A) and City of Ouray Code Section 2-8 has the authority to declare a local disaster emergency to exist when, there is an occurrence or imminent threat of widespread or severe damage, injury, loss of life or property, resulting from any cause of human origin, including but not limited to fire,

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Ouray, Colorado believes fire risk has decreased rescinding Stage II and the need to reinstate Stage I Fire Restrictions; and

WHEREAS, these restrictions will remain in place until further notice and unless otherwise revised or rescinded by City Council; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT DECLARED BY THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF OURAY, COLORADO, that:

THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES ARE BANNED UNDER STAGE 1 FIRE RESTRICTIONS:

1. Building, maintaining, attending or using a campfire except in designated and signed campgrounds or developed recreation sites with provided fire grates.
2. Open burning of any kind including burning of trash or debris, burning of ditches, open charcoal or wood fires.
3. Use of all fireworks and use of explosives.
4. Smoking, except in an enclosed vehicle, trailer, building or tent, a developed recreation site, or while stopped in a barren or cleared area at least 3 feet in diameter, and disposal of cigarette butts anywhere outdoors.
5. Operating a chainsaw, without an approved spark arrester and without a chemical pressurized fire extinguisher and pointed shovel, kept within immediate reach of the operator.
6. Welding or use of torch with open flame except in a barren or area cleared of all flammable materials at least 10 feet on all sides from the equipment.

THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES ARE PERMITTED UNDER STAGE 1 FIRE RESTRICTIONS:

1. Cooking on manufactured charcoal, liquid fuel or propane gas grills or other manufactured liquid fuel cook stoves
2. Campfires with flame length not exceeding two feet in height in pre-fabricated concrete or metal fire enclosures in established campgrounds (USFS, NPS, privately owned)
3. Fires in chimney type manufactured enclosures on private property
4. Campers and drivers are asked to limit travel to designated roads and trails as much as possible, to avoid igniting sparks on grass and brush.

Now, City Council of the City of Ouray, Colorado hereby declares: STAGE II FIRE RESTRICTIONS RESCINDED AND STAGE I FIRE RESTRICTIONS effective July 16, 2018 7:00pm.

CITY OF OURAY, COLORADO

By _____
Pamela J. Larson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Melissa Drake, City Clerk