COMMISSIONER'S ORDER

Number 201739

STATE OF WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

Hilary Franz, Commissioner of Public Lands

WHEREAS, RCW 76.04 defines the lands within the State of Washington where the Department of Natural Resources is responsible for fire protection; and

WHEREAS, RCW 76.04 authorizes the Department of Natural Resources to regulate the use of fire on the forest lands for which it has fire protection responsibility; and

WHEREAS, RCW 76.04 authorizes the Department of Natural Resources in times and localities of unusual fire danger to prohibit the use of fire in those locations; and

WHEREAS, unusual fire danger exists and is forecast to continue through September 30, 2017, on forest lands protected by the Department of Natural Resources; and

WHEREAS, wildfires result in large expenditures of public funding that can be avoided through prudent actions to prevent them;

THEREFORE, outdoor burning, including campfires in fire pits and the use of charcoal briquettes, is banned on all forest lands within the State of Washington under Department of Natural Resources fire protection through September 30, 2017, with the following exceptions:

- As approved in writing by the Commissioner of Public Lands or Department Supervisor, approved prescribed fire for ecological purposes, when conducted by trained professionals.
- 2. As approved in writing by the Commissioner of Public Lands or Department Supervisor when there are compelling reasons for such an exception.

Effective September 6, 2017, this order takes precedence over and supersedes all other burn bans currently in effect on forest lands within the state of Washington under Department of Natural Resources fire protection.

Dated this 05 day of September, 2017.

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NEWS RELEASE

Wednesday September 6, 2017

Contact: Grays Harbor County Fire Marshal's Office (360) 249-4222

Outdoor Burning Banned in Grays Harbor County

MONTESANO- With the continued hot and dry weather the fire danger level has been set to Very High/Extreme across the State of Washington. Effective 12:01 A.M. Wednesday, September 6, 2017, Grays Harbor County Fire Districts and Fire Departments in cooperation with the Washington Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and the Olympic Region Clean Air Agency (ORCAA), will be enacting restrictions on all outdoor burning. All recreational camp fires, barbeques using charcoal briquette or other solid fuels, residential burning, along with land clearing and silvicultural [forest practices] burning will be prohibited until further notice.

For more information on local fire restrictions

Grays Harbor County: Fire Marshal's Office at (360) 249-4222 Fire Districts: Emergency pages of the local telephone book

City Fire Departments: Government pages of the local telephone book

Washington State Department of Natural Resources: Pacific Cascade Regional Office at (360)

577-2025 or Olympic Region Office at (360) 374-2811 Olympic Region Clean Air Agency: 1-800-422-5623

Olympic National Park and Olympic National Forest: (360) 565-3121

Washington State Parks: (360) 902-8844

For daily updates on burn restrictions

Contact DNR at 1-800-323-BURN or visit the website at www2.wadnr.gov/burn-risk then click on fire information in the far right corner.

Contact ORCAA at 1-800-422-5623 or visit their website at www.orcaa.org.

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Fire Danger and Outdoor Burning

This site provides current information about wildfire danger in Washington, as well as restrictions applying to outdoor burning conducted on DNR-protected forestlands throughout Washington.

Click on your county for fire danger and burning restrictions for DNRregulated outdoor burning.

Listed burning restrictions become a requirement of your DNR burn permit and also apply to DNR rule burning (WAC 332-24-205) that does not require a permit. Always contact your local fire and air quality authorities before lighting any outdoor fire.

Wildfire Danger:

Very High/Extreme

High

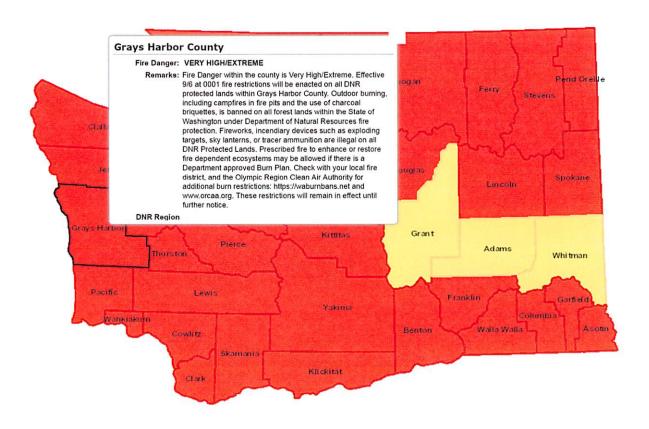
Moderate

Low

Other Resources:

- Do I need a DNR burn permit?
- Forest Protection Laws (RCW 76.04)
- Forest Protection Rules (WAC 332-24)
- Map of Today's Industrial Fire Precaution Levels (IFPLs)
- Forest Fire Protection Book -Requirements for Operations on or Near Forest Land

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