



COOS FOREST PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION

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Fire Season Begins Friday, June 24, 2022

The Coos Forest Protective Association (CFPA) announced today that fire season will officially begin at 12:01 a.m. Friday, June 24, 2022. The start of fire season activates restrictions for both public and industrial forest use on all public, private, county, state, and Bureau of Land Management (BLM) lands within CFPA's District boundaries.

The start of fire season means the end of unregulated, outside burning for rural Coos, Curry and western Douglas Counties. The outside burning of debris piles and the use of burn barrels will be prohibited until fire season is terminated.

Residents living within an incorporated city need to contact their local fire department for burning restrictions and permit details.

Under Oregon law, the use of tracer ammunition and exploding targets is prohibited during fire season, and the use of sky lanterns is prohibited year round.

Regulated Use restrictions will also be implemented, putting restrictions on public activities based on daily fire danger levels for specific activities.

Industrial fire regulations will also go into effect. Industrial Fire Precaution Level (IFPL) 1 prohibits smoking while working on or traveling through an industrial operation. Specified fire tools and suppression equipment must be maintained on all operations. A fire watch is also required on all industrial operation sites.

As fire season progresses, additional closures and restrictions may be imposed as weather conditions and fire danger becomes more severe.

For further information contact the CFPA Closure Information Line at (541) 267-1789, visit the website at www.coosfpa.net, or follow us on Facebook and Twitter.



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Fire Season Will Be Here Soon

Now is the time to start thinking about fire prevention. The rain events over the last month have helped keep the start of fire season from coming early, but fire season will be here soon. Every sunny and windy day brings us closer to the start of fire season. Once fire season is declared all debris burning will be prohibited. Large piles built with machinery will hold heat for long periods of time. If you have large piles waiting for significant wetting rains in the fall is the safest option for burning them. To discuss safe burning conditions please call your nearest CFPA office.

Any time you debris burn you are responsible for maintaining control of your burn. For burning restrictions inside the city limits contact your local fire department. You can find more information on fire prevention on the web at www.coosfpa.net, on Facebook, or call (541) 267-3161.





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Hay Trailer Catches Fire Along Highway 42

Firefighters from CFPA, Bridge RFD, and Myrtle Point RFD responded to a report of a trailer hauling hay on fire west of Bridge, Oregon along Hwy 42 on Monday, May 23rd. The fire was caused by a bearing failure in the trailer axles, which caused the hay to ignite.

This fire is a reminder to always check your trailer before hauling to make sure your axles and tires are in good condition as well as making sure your safety chains are not going to drag on the ground.

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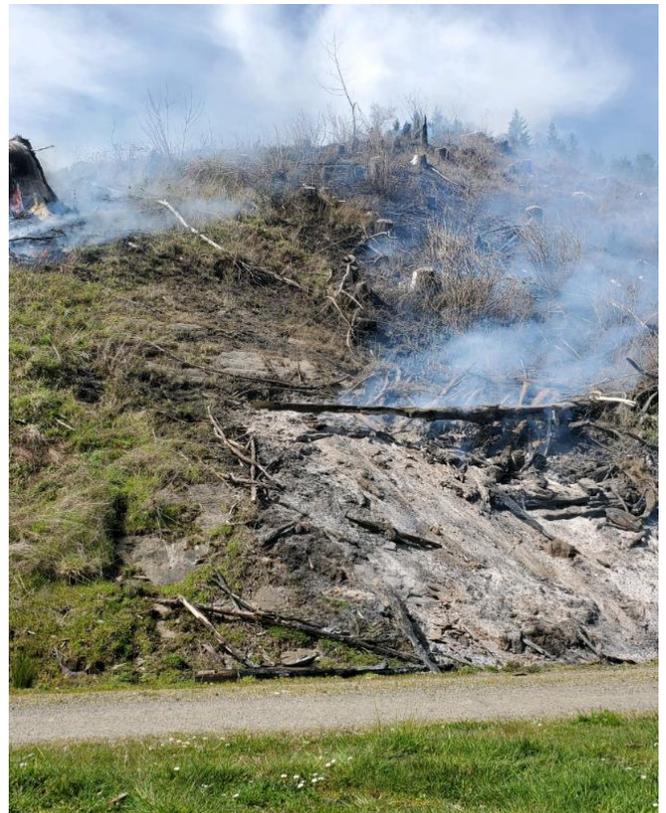
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Safe Debris Burning is a Must

Springtime debris burning is a normal way of cleaning up property in rural Oregon, but it also means an increase in wildfire responses for first responders. CFPA has always encouraged homeowners to get their debris burning done in the spring before summer conditions set in. Safe debris burning is the key, and there are a few things to keep in mind to burn safely, such as:

- **Only burn woody materials** (tires, plastics, garbage, and other similar materials are not legal to burn in Oregon).
- **Have a safe clearing around and above your pile.**
- **Keep your burn pile to a manageable size.**
- **Have adequate resources to control your burn** (the larger the pile the more resources needed to do it safely. A 3-foot by 3-foot pile may only require the presence of a charged garden hose, but a large 30-foot by 30-foot machine built pile may require a water truck and excavator to burn safely).
- **Not burning on hot or windy days.**
- **Be in attendance of your debris burn until it is out.**



While it is legal to debris burn in Oregon, it is also your responsibility to do so safely. When burning, take into consideration wind direction and avoid impacting others with your smoke.

For more information on fire prevention or fire danger levels, contact CFPA at 541-267-3161, visit us on the web at www.coosfpa.net or follow us on Facebook and Twitter.