



NEVADA DIVISION OF FORESTRY

STATE OF NEVADA
Department of Conservation & Natural Resources
Joe Lombardo, *Governor*
James A. Settelmeyer, *Director*
Kacey KC, *State Forester/Firewarden*

**August 1, 2024
SPECIAL ORDER**

Fire Restrictions

All State Lands, including all Nevada State Park and Recreation Areas in the Lake Tahoe Basin (Spooner Lake and Backcountry, Sand Harbor, Van Sickle, and Cave Rock).

Nevada Division of Forestry's State Forester/Firewarden will impose the following fire restrictions for all State Lands, Nevada State Park and Recreation Areas listed above, pursuant to NRS 472.040, 472.510, 472.520 and 407.0475. Fire restrictions will be effective at **12:01 a.m., August 1, 2024, and will remain in effect until rescinded.**

These restrictions are consistent with those in place for the Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit of the United States Forest Service and Local Fire Districts in the Basin.

The following acts are prohibited:

1. Building, maintaining, attending, or using a fire (using wood, charcoal or any other material), campfire or stove fire except a portable stove using gas, jellied petroleum or pressurized liquid fuel outside of a developed campground in an approved fire enclosure or in a designated picnic area (except by permit). These activities may be restricted further by State Park Staff based on conditions and when "Red flag" conditions are in place as indicated by the National Weather Service.
2. Smoking, except within an enclosed vehicle.
3. Welding, or operating an acetylene torch with open flames, except by permit.
4. Using, or causing to be used, any explosive, except by permit.
5. Discharge, use, or allowing the use of fireworks, tracer rounds, steel-core ammunition, explosive targets, or any other incendiary device.
6. Operating a motor vehicle or combustion engine without a spark arrestor and off an existing paved, gravel or dirt roads.
7. Operating a vehicle or other motorized equipment in wildland areas without an ax, shovel and at least one gallon of water.
8. Discharging a firearm in an area where a Red Flag Warning has been issued by the National Weather Service.

Exemptions:

Each of the following persons is exempt from this order:

1. Persons with a written permit that specifically authorizes the otherwise prohibited act.
2. Persons using a fire solely fueled by liquid petroleum or liquified petroleum gas fuels. Such devices, including propane campfires, may be used only in an area cleared of flammable material.
3. Private landowners using charcoal (disposed of properly) or propane barbecues on their own lands.
4. Persons conducting activities in those designated areas where the activity is specifically authorized by written posted notice.

5. Any federal, state, or local officer or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force, in the performance of an official duty.

In addition, each State Park or State Recreation Area may impose more stringent restrictions when they determine that the conditions warrant them. The State Park or State Recreation Area may not, however, be less restrictive.

Penalties:

Violation of these prohibitions is a misdemeanor and punishable by fine of not more than \$1,000.00, or imprisonment of not more than six months, or both. Restitution for total suppression and damage costs incurred will be borne by the trespasser.

August 1, 2024
Date

Kacey KC
[Kacey KC \(Aug 1, 2024 10:57 PDT\)](#)
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State Forester/Firewarden

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Date

Robert Mergell
[Robert Mergell \(Jul 31, 2024 08:16 PDT\)](#)
Robert Mergell
Administrator, Division of State Parks
