

# New Ouray County Fire Restrictions

Updated June 11, 2018

## **JUNE 11, 2018 OURAY COUNTY STAGE 2 FIRE RESTRICTIONS**

Due to the continued hot and extremely dry weather and the numerous wildfires that have occurred elsewhere in the State, the Board of County Commissioners, upon the recommendation of Sheriff Mattivi, has adopted **STAGE 2 FIRE RESTRICTIONS** effective June 11, 2018. The State 2 restrictions are more comprehensive than the Stage 1 restrictions in place since May 21, 2018. What you need to know:

### **THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES ARE BANNED:**

- **ALL** campfires.
- Open burning of any kind, include burning of trash or debris, charcoal grills, or outdoor wood grills.
- Fireworks or use of explosives. The City of Ouray July 4th Fireworks have been cancelled.
- Smoking, except in an enclosed vehicle or building and disposal of cigarette butts anywhere outdoors.
- Operating a chainsaw, except with a fire extinguisher and shovel, kept within immediate reach.
- Fires in open pits or outdoor chimineas.
- Use of tracer or incendiary ammunition.
- Welding or use of torch with open flame, except upon providing notice to County Sheriff.

You may use a propane gas grill or other manufactured liquid fuel cookstove as much as long as it has an “on-off” switch so that the fuel can be turned off.

Campers and drivers are asked to limit travel to designated roads and trails as much as possible, to avoid igniting sparks and grass brush.

**These restrictions will remain in place until further notice, and until otherwise revised or rescinded by the Sheriff and the Board of County Commissioners. Updates to fire restrictions or bans will be posted to the Ouray County website: [www.ouraycountyco.gov](http://www.ouraycountyco.gov)**

**If you have questions, or see a violation of the fire restrictions, please contact the**

**Ouray County Sheriff's office at 970-325-7272.**