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## Joint Press Release

**DATE:** May 31, 2024

**WHO:** Residents of the Central Arizona Fire and Medical Authority and Prescott Fire Department jurisdictions.

**WHAT:** IMPLEMENTING STAGE I FIRE RESTRICTIONS

**WHEN:** Thursday, June 6, 2024, at 8:00 a.m.

**WHERE:** The 42 square miles of the City of Prescott and the 365 square miles of the Central Arizona Fire and Medical Authority (CAFMA) which includes the Towns of Prescott Valley, Dewey-Humboldt, Chino Valley, and Paulden. CAFMA's jurisdiction also applies to areas surrounding the City of Prescott such as Williamson Valley, upper Copper Basin Road, the Mountain Club area, Ponderosa Park off White Spar Road, and the Senator Highway area of Karen Drive, Sweet Acres, and Oak Knoll Village along with the areas of Government Canyon and Diamond Valley which are south of Prescott.

**WHY:** The Prescott Fire Department and Central Arizona Fire and Medical Authority will be enacting our **Stage I Fire Restrictions** on June 6, 2024, at 8:00 a.m. which will also be consistent with the Prescott National Forest and the unincorporated areas of Yavapai County areas not protected by fire districts or area fire departments. These restrictions will stay in effect until we receive significant rain throughout the area to justify lifting these restrictions. Please have a safe summer and visit our websites at [www.cazfire.gov](http://www.cazfire.gov) or <http://www.prescott-az.gov/services/fire/> for further information.

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ATTACHMENT: Outline of Joint Fire Restrictions



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## Fire Restrictions Stages

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### Stage I Fire Restrictions:

- **NO** residential burn permits will be issued.
- Use of model rockets is **PROHIBITED**.
- Use of **fireworks** and other **pyrotechnic displays** are **PROHIBITED** except upon approval of a pyrotechnics permit.
- **NO** smoking outside of vehicles, outside of residential yards, or outside of designated smoking areas.
- **NO** outdoor use of firearms.
- Cooking, warming, or campfires (ash or ember producing) **ARE ALLOWED** at single and multi-family residential properties and Town parks (where approved) but **MUST BE** attended at all times.

### Stage II Fire Restrictions:

- **NO** burn permits will be issued-residential or commercial.
- Use of model rockets is **PROHIBITED**.
- Use of **fireworks** and other **pyrotechnic displays** are **PROHIBITED** except upon approval of a pyrotechnics permit.
- **NO** smoking outside of vehicles, outside of residential yards, or outside of designated smoking areas.
- **NO** outdoor use of firearms
- Welding, cutting and grinding is **PROHIBITED**; permission may be granted under special circumstances and repair situations as approved by the Fire Marshal. **\*\* (See Note)**  Chain saws are allowed with a spark arrestor, water or fire extinguisher and a fire watch.
- Warming fires, campfires, as well as charcoal and wood burning barbecues (ember and ash producing) are **PROHIBITED** in all locations. This also **prohibits** the use of other devices that produce open flames such as tiki lamps.
- The use of propane, natural gas or other gas flame-producing barbeque cooking grills or fire pits **MAY BE USED** if they are constantly attended, are in an enclosed device, and can be turned off.

**\*\* Note:** Under Stage II fire restrictions, any outdoor spark or flame producing activity, including welding, cutting, and grinding **shall require the following:**

- > A Fire Department permit for a specific time period, location, and activity granting permission to conduct such activity in a safe manner.
- > A fire watch: an individual with the sole purpose of watching for any sparks and/or ignition.
- > Firefighting tool(s) such as a shovel.
- > Approved water supply available from a hose, water truck, etc.