

RESOLUTION 2020-06

A RESOLUTION OF THE SAN JUAN COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS IMPLEMENTING AN IMMEDIATE FIRE BAN

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of San Juan County is empowered under C.R.S. 30-11-107 (1) (e), to provide for the management of the business and concerns of the County; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to C.R.S. 30-15-401 (n.5), the Board of County Commissioners of San Juan County has the power to adopt an ordinance to ban open fires to a degree and in a manner that is deemed necessary to reduce the danger of wildfires; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of San Juan county has received competent evidence that there exists within the unincorporated areas of San Juan County a high danger of forest of grass fires; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of San Juan County have received a request from the San Juan County Sheriff acting as the Fire Marshall to impose a county-wide fire ban; and

WHEREAS, the enactment of this Resolution is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, safety and welfare.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SAN JUAN COUNTY, COLORADO;

1. That a fire ban is necessary to reduce the danger of wildfires within all private land in the unincorporated areas of San Juan County.
2. That a fire ban prohibiting open burning within all private land in the unincorporated areas of San Juan County and within all land owned by San Juan County is hereby enacted.
3. That the fire ban is hereby proclaimed to be implemented on June 10, 2020 Stage I Fire Restrictions to prohibit the follow acts:
 - I. Building, maintaining, attending or using a campfire or other type of fire is limited to permanent fire rings or grates within a developed campground or a commercially constructed grill.
 - II. Smoking is allowed only inside a vehicle, a building or a 3” wide area cleared of all vegetation.

- III. Chainsaws and other internal-combustion engines must have approved, work spark arresters.
- IV. Welding or use of acetylene and other torches with an open flame is prohibited.
- V. Use of explosives is prohibited including fireworks, blasting caps or any incendiary device, which may result in the ignition of flammable material. Commercial, professional and municipal fireworks displays are allowed if specific written approval has been granted by the San Juan County Sheriff.

4. That the fire ban shall remain in effect until the following occurs:

The Sheriff, acting as Fire Marshal, or the Fire Chiefs of the affected districts shall request in writing that the fire ban be removed from all or part of their various jurisdictions.

READ, PASSED AND ADOPTED this 10th day of June, 2020 by the Board of Commissioners of San Juan County, Colorado.



Peter C. McKay, Chair




Scott Fetchenhier



Ernest F. Kullamn

Attest:



Ladonna L. Jaramillo
Clerk and Recorder