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Subject:

<u>Fire Restriction Notice</u> <u>Effective June 30, 2017 Until Further Notice</u>

Utah State Division of Forestry and State Lands in cooperation with Weber Fire District is enacting fire restrictions beginning June 30, 2017, which affect all Unincorporated Weber County east of Highway 89, Harrison Boulevard and Mountain Road and includes the upper Ogden valley area and Huntsville City. These restrictions will remain in effect until conditions improve.

The current weather conditions and the conditions of vegetation in the affected areas have created risk of wildland fire. Due to these conditions, a ban of the use of all fireworks and open fires in the restricted areas has been implemented (unless specifically approved). Campfires are allowed in approved fire pits built within the facilities provided for them in improved campgrounds, picnic areas or permanently improved places of habitation.

The Utah State Forester has issued further restrictions regarding ammunition and cutting and welding operations (please see the Utah State Fire Restriction Order effective June 30, 2017).

Although this notice allows for campfires, it does not mean that we can let our guard down. Conditions vary greatly throughout Weber County and it is important that everyone use good judgment when deciding to have a campfire. If a campfire gets out of control and creates a wildland fire, the individuals responsible for the campfire may be held responsible for the costs associated with fighting the fire.

We ask the public to please exercise good fire safety practices when having campfires. Here are some tips:

- Ensure that your campfire pit is in an area where the fire may not spread to other vegetation. A distance of 25 feet is recommended from the fire pit to other combustible materials.
- Keep the fire no larger than 3 feet in diameter and 2 feet in height.
- Have a means to extinguish the fire.
- Fires must be attended by an adult at all times.
- Completely extinguish the fire when done with the activity.

If you need further assistance, please contact Weber Fire District at 801-782-3580.

Sincerely,

Brandon Thueson Fire Marshal Weber Fire District