

**RESOLUTION NO. 6-2007
OPEN BURNING RESTRICTION**

WHEREAS, a potentially severe to extreme fire situation exists throughout Crook County, created by a heavy fuel load and dry summer conditions, could create situations that over-extend the fire fighting capability of local government; and,

WHEREAS, Wyoming Statute 35-9-301 through 304 provides that upon the recommendation of the County Fire Warden the Board of Crook County Commissioners may close the area to any form of use by the public or limit such use which shall include the prohibition of any type of open fire for such periods of time as the Board may deem necessary and proper; and

WHEREAS, the County Fire Warden Dan Blakeman has recommended that open burning restrictions be imposed throughout the county; and

WHEREAS Wyoming Statutes 35-10-201 through 208 allow for the regulation of fireworks; and

WHEREAS, any violation of this resolution may be in violation of W.S. 35-9-304 punishable by up to 30 days in jail and up to a \$100.00 fine or both;

WHEREAS, this open burning restriction and ban on the use of fireworks shall begin on July 9, 2007 and end on October 15, 2007 unless ended sooner by the Board of County Commissioners.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CROOK COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HEREBY RESOLVES as follows:

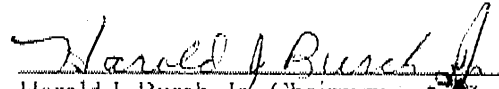
1. **That the discharge of fireworks and all outdoor fires are prohibited** in the unincorporated area of Crook County **beginning on July 9, 2007 and ending on October 15, 2007** unless ended sooner by the Board of County Commissioners;
2. That the discharge of fireworks and all outdoor fires are prohibited in the unincorporated area of Crook County except as provided below:
 - (i) Trash or refuse fires, camp fires, and charcoal fires are prohibited.
 - (ii) Petroleum fueled stoves, lanterns, or heating devices may be used, provided such devices meet the fire underwriters' specifications for safety.
 - (iii) Smoking is prohibited except within enclosed vehicles or buildings, developed recreation sites, or while stopped in an area at least three feet in diameter that is barren or cleared of all flammable materials. Cigarettes, cigars, and pipe tobacco must be extinguished and disposed of properly and is prohibited from being thrown out from vehicles.
 - (iv) Use of acetylene cutting torches or electric arc welders in cleared areas ten feet in radius are permitted provided that a shovel and a pressurized fire extinguisher is present at job site.
 - (v) Propane or open fire branding activities in cleared areas ten feet in radius are permitted provided that a shovel and pressurized fire extinguisher is present at site.
 - (vi) Internal or external combustion engines including chainsaws, ATV's and motorcycles must have approved spark arrestors.
 - (vii) A shovel and pressurized fire extinguisher must be present during use of a chainsaw
 - (viii) Discharge of fireworks is prohibited
 - (ix) The listed exceptions set forth in Wyoming Statute 35-10-204.
 - (x) By a permit granted by the Commissioners for public display.

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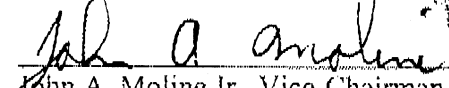
3. That the State Land Commissioners, Bureau of Land Management, and State Forester will be provided a copy of this Resolution when it has been processed.

MADE, DETERMINED AND RESOLVED this 3rd day of July, 2007.

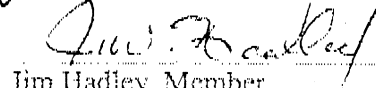
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS CROOK COUNTY, WYOMING



Harold J. Burch, Jr., Chairman



John A. Moline Jr., Vice-Chairman



Jim Hadley, Member

Attest: 

Connie D. Tschetter, County Clerk



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CLERK'S OFFICE