MEMORANDUM

To: Regional Director  
   Attn: LC-1150 (PAaron)  

From: Mary J. Reece  
       Chief, Resource Management Office

Subject: Transmittal of Special Orders for Fire Restrictions in Bureau of Reclamation, Lower Colorado Region

The Bureau of Reclamation is implementing fire restrictions beginning July 1, 2019, to help reduce the risk of wildfires on Reclamation-managed lands within the Lower Colorado Region in support of the interagency fire restrictions issued on July 1, 2019, June 20, 2019 and April 10, 2019, respectively. These restrictions will be in effect until further notice and are instituted pursuant to Title 43 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Parts 423 and 429.

The restrictions are necessary due to high temperatures and low humidity, creating conditions for rapid spread of wildfires. The Resource Management Office requests that the Public Affairs Office publish the attached special orders for fire restrictions, per 43 CFR 423.61, on the Lower Colorado Regions public website per regulation.

If you have questions, please contact Ms. Heidi Garcia, Realty Specialist, at 702-293-8315, or hlgarcia@usbr.gov.

Attachment
SPECIAL ORDERS
FIRE RESTRICTIONS
BUREAU OF RECLAMATION
LOWER COLORADO REGION

Pursuant to 43 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) §423.60, the following acts are prohibited on all public land areas, roads and trails located within and administered by the BOR Lower Colorado Region, effective Monday, July 1, 2019, until further notice:

- Building, maintaining, attending or using a fire, a campfire or charcoal stove (except within the approved fire pits or grills provided in developed recreation sites). Using a portable stove using gas, jellied petroleum or pressurized liquid fuel is allowed, but should be used with care (43 CFR §423.31).

- Welding or operating an acetylene torch with open flames (except by permit). (43 CFR §423.31).

- Using, or causing to be used, any explosive, except by permit. Use of all fireworks (including Safe and Sane) is prohibited on Reclamation-managed land (43 CFR §423.30).

- Possession and/or use of tracer rounds, steel-jacket ammunition, explosive targets, or any other incendiary device. (43 CFR §423.30).

- Operating a motor vehicle or combustion engine equipment without a spark arrester (43 CFR §420.11(b)).

- Smoking is allowed in an enclosed vehicle only.

- In the event of conflict between Reclamation and Bureau of Land Management guidance, the stricter of the two will be applied.

Persons exempted from the restrictions listed above are noted in 43 CFR §423.3(b) to include the following:

1. Persons with a permit specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission.

2. Any Federal, State, local officer, or member or an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.

Under section (1)(a) of Public Law 107-69, you are subject to a fine under chapter 227, subchapter C of title 18 United States Code (18 U.S.C. 3571) or can be imprisoned for not more than 6 months, or both, if you violate these restrictions.

Prepared in Boulder City, Nevada, on July 1, 2019

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