



**Emergency Management
Foster County**
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**FIRE EMERGENCY DECLARATION
AND BURN RESTRICTIONS
PROCLAMATION
FOR
FOSTER COUNTY**

WHEREAS, Foster County is experiencing abnormally dry conditions coupled with significant fuel supplies resulting in an extreme fire potential; and

WHEREAS, all available resources committed to the protection of life and property; and

WHEREAS, the existing conditions make fires a continuing threat to the health, safety, and well-being of the citizens of Foster County; and

WHEREAS, the cost of emergency response and inordinate wear on fire-fighting equipment may be far in excess of available county resources; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Foster County Commissioners declares a Fire Emergency for all of Foster County including all of its incorporated cities except for the City of Carrington, North Dakota; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the board of commissioners proclaims that a Burn Restrictions is in effect until further notice, whenever the North Dakota Fire Danger Rating is "Very High" or "Extreme" and/or a Red Flag Warning has been issued for Foster County.

The Daily Fire Danger Rating is available at the following website: <https://ndresponse.gov>

What's Included: No Burning When Activity Matches Below Burning is Prohibited if the Fire Index is in Extreme Category as Issued by NWS ND Administrative Code - Title 33.1 Article 15 Chapter 4	
Very High	Campfires, the ignition of fireworks (aerial and ground), controlled burns (i.e., wood piles, tumbleweeds, tree piles, etc.), cropland/agriculture, garbage/pit, and unnecessary off-road motorized travel (anything other than paved or gravel surface).
Extreme	Campfires, the ignition of fireworks (aerial and ground), controlled burns (i.e., wood piles, tumbleweeds, tree piles, etc.), cropland/agriculture, garbage/pit, and unnecessary off-road motorized travel (anything other than paved or gravel surface).
Red Flag Warning	Campfires, the ignition of fireworks (aerial and ground), controlled burns (i.e., wood piles, tumbleweeds, tree piles, etc.), cropland/agriculture, garbage/pit, and unnecessary off-road motorized travel (anything other than paved or gravel surface).

ANY INDIVIDUAL WHO WILLFULLY VIOLATES THIS BURN RESTRICTION IS GUILTY OF A CLASS B MISDEMEANER (NDCC 37-17.1-10.1) PUNISHABLE BY A FINE OF UP TO \$1,500.00 FINE AND 30 DAYS IN JAIL. THE FOSTER COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IS AUTHORIZED TO ISSUE CITATIONS TO VIOLATORS.

A burn restriction/fire restriction will be rescinded when fire danger conditions have improved and/or previously diminished fire response capabilities have been restored and has been voted on by the Foster County Commission.

Dated at Carrington, North Dakota, this 7th day of May 2024.



Foster County Commission Chairman

