



Adams County

DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT
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FIRE EMERGENCY and AUTOMATIC FIRE RESTRICTIONS
for
ADAMS COUNTY, NORTH DAKOTA
April 7, 2020

WHEREAS, Adams County, North Dakota has very dry conditions with significant fuel supplies available; and

WHEREAS, Adams County, North Dakota has sustained or been threatened with rural fires as of this date, and the Adams County Department of Emergency Services has been in consultation with local fire departments; and

WHEREAS, all available resources remain committed to protecting life and property; and

WHEREAS, the impact of fires could threaten the health, well-being and safety of the citizens of Adams County; and

WHEREAS, the cost of response, inordinate equipment wear, and fire damages may be in excess of available County resources.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Adams County Commissioners declare a Fire Emergency and issue Fire Restrictions to include a ban on ignition of fireworks, garbage burning, campfires, and burning of farm or crop land, and unnecessary off-road motorized travel remain in effect **when the North Dakota Fire Danger Rating is in the Very High or Extreme Rating and/or a Red Flag Warning has been issued for Adams County, North Dakota until further notice. There is to be absolutely no burning when those conditions exist.**

When the North Dakota Fire Danger Rating is in the Low, Moderate, or High Category, persons are to follow the procedures in the North Dakota Rural Fire Danger Guide, and **are required to notify the local fire response authority that has jurisdiction over the designated area in Adams County, North Dakota.**

Contact names and numbers can be found at the following website: <http://www.hettingernd.com> or <https://www.adamscountynd.com/emergency-management.html>

The **Daily Fire Danger Rating** can be found at the following website:

<https://www.ndresponse.gov/burn-ban-restrictions-fire-danger-maps>

The **North Dakota Rural Fire Danger Guide** can be found at the following website:

<http://www.nd.gov/des/uploads/resources/154/brochure-ruralfiredangerguide.pdf>

ANY INDIVIDUAL WHO WILLFULLY VIOLATES THIS BURN BAN IS GUILTY OF A CLASS B MISDEMEANOR (NDCC 37-17.1-10) : MAXIMUM SENTENCE OF 30 DAYS IN JAIL AND A \$1,500 FINE (NDCC 12.1-32.01), AND RESTITUTION OF FIRE SUPPRESSION COSTS MAY BE SOUGHT FROM THE COURT.

Dated this 7th day of April, 2020 in Hettinger, Adams County, North Dakota

Dustin Laufer, Chairman
Adams County Commission