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Updated Fire Restriction Notice

On July 9 2014, Utah State Division of Forestry Fire and State Lands issued a Fire Restriction Notice. This notice affected the unincorporated areas of Weber County and while it restricted certain activities which create fire hazards, it also allowed for the use of campfires "built within the facilities provided for them in improved campgrounds, picnic areas or permanently improved places of habitation".

In order to comply with the notice, Weber Fire District will also allow campfires as outlined in the notice issued by the State of Utah. Fireworks are still restricted in these areas and are not allowed.

Although these new notices allow 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 15 to 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.

Please see the attached restriction notice issued by Utah State. If you have further questions, please feel free to contact Weber Fire District at 801-782-3580.

If you need further assistance, please contact Weber Fire District at 801-782-3580 or visit www.weberfiredistrict.com.

Sincerely,

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