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Fire Restrictions to Be Lifted on BLM, State and Unincorporated Private Lands Statewide

Effective at midnight tonight, state fire managers have rescinded all 2012 fire closures on all BLM, state and unincorporated private lands. Campfires and other normally permitted activities are now permitted. National Forest restrictions put in place in 2012 for Utah were lifted on August 2nd. Cities and towns still have varying fire restrictions, so the public is advised to check with local authorities. While the statewide fire restriction on target shooting is rescinded, the BLM still has a temporary shooting restriction in place on about 900 acres of land west of Utah Lake.

Firefighters continue to respond to wildland fires on a daily basis throughout the state, but fire danger has decreased as cooler temperatures and higher fuel moisture levels make fire spread potential lower. Caution is still advised.

State Forester, Dick Buehler warns, "The danger isn't gone and fire season isn't over yet. We still need to use good safe campfire practices and everyone needs to be careful doing anything that might lead to wildfire."

The closed burn season is still in effect until October 31, and individuals wishing to conduct agricultural or debris burning are still required to obtain a permit from their county fire warden or other designated county official.

For more information on fire prevention, fire restrictions or other wildland fire topics, visit www.utahfireinfo.gov. Follow us on Twitter @UtahWildfire.

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