

Archuleta County Fire Restrictions

As of June 29th, 2010

By order of the Archuleta County Commissioners the following restrictions are in place south of Hwy 160 to New Mexico and west of a line defined by CR 500, CR 542, and CR 359 (The area between Trujillo Road, Montezuma Rd, and Coyote Park Rd and the La Plata County line):

- **Prohibited** are:
 - Open Burning
 - Burn barrels
 - Agricultural burning
 - Use of explosive materials
- **Allowed** are:
 - Charcoal fires in suitable containers in developed areas
 - Gas grills for barbecues at private residences
 - Fires within designated campground pits with protective grates
 - Camp stoves, grills, or lights fueled by bottled gas(These fires should not be left unattended and should be fully extinguished after use)
- **Smoking is limited** to vehicles, buildings, developed recreational areas and 3-foot wide areas cleared of vegetation
- **Internal combustion engines** (chainsaws, generators) **MUST** have spark arresters
- **Cutting and welding operations MUST have a:**
 - 2.5 gallon pressurized or 5 lb. AMC extinguisher or pressurized water supply and proper hand tools
 - 20-foot radius safe zone with a Fire watch individual standing by continuously
- **Oil and Gas Industry:**
 - Flaring for production wells and tanks may be allowed with approval from the area's fire official
 - Welding and cutting operations are required to comply with industry standards, Rule 606A(o), and must be conducted with a 20-foot radius safe zone

The above restrictions are for unincorporated Archuleta County. This excludes the Town of Pagosa Springs, and lands owned by the US Forest Service, the Bureau of Land Management, Southern Ute Indian Tribe and State of Colorado.

