

ROUTT COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA COMMUNICATION FORM

ITEM DATE: September 20, 2022	ITEM TIME:
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FROM:	Mo DeMorat, Emergency Operations Director
TODAY'S DATE:	September 19, 2022
AGENDA TITLE:	Consideration to approve and authorization of the Chair's signature on a Declaration Rescinding Stage 1 Fire Restrictions pursuant to Ordinance No. 2013-002

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I. DESCRIBE THE REQUEST OR ISSUE:
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Consideration to approve and authorization of the Chair's signature on a Declaration Rescinding Stage 1 Fire Restrictions pursuant to Ordinance No. 2013-002
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II. RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Rescind Stage 1 Fire Restrictions pursuant to Ordinance No. 2013-002 on all private and state lands outside of municipal boundaries within Routt County effective at 12:01 a.m. on Friday, September 23, 2022

III. DESCRIBE FISCAL IMPACTS (VARIATION TO BUDGET):
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PROPOSED REVENUE: None

PROPOSED EXPENDITURE: None

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

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IV. IMPACTS OF A REGIONAL NATURE OR ON OTHER JURISDICTIONS (IDENTIFY ANY COMMUNICATIONS ON THIS ITEM):

Every Monday the Northwest Colorado Fire Management Unit has a conference call with multi-county agency representatives to review current fire conditions and discuss rescinding fire restrictions. These meetings include federal landowners within the Counties and County representatives.

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V. BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The data collected and presented at the weekly meeting on Monday, Sep 19, showed increased moisture levels, decreased Energy Release Component, and overall wildfire hazard assessment of Moderate throughout the regions, and a weather pattern forecasted with increased percentages and levels of precipitation. All those in attendance at this meeting agreed that fire restrictions are no longer warranted. All those that were in Stage 1 fire restrictions will rescind those restrictions around midnight between Thursday and Friday, Sep 22nd and 23rd, and those that were not in fire restrictions will remain out of fire restrictions.

VI. LEGAL ISSUES:

None

VII. CONFLICTS OR ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES:

None

VIII. SUMMARY AND OTHER OPTIONS:

All federal landowners and Counties in the Northwest Region identified that they will be rescinding fire restrictions at midnight on Thursday. The data presented does not warrant the requirement for fire restrictions.