



Notice of Fire Restrictions

RATON FIRE & EMERGENCY SERVICES

Due to environmental issues such as drought, dry fuel loads and extremely escalating fire conditions, the following fire restrictions are in effect for the City of Raton:

- **Open burning** will only be permitted with prior approval (a burn permit). At this time no burn permits are being issued.
- **Bonfires** will only be permitted with prior approval (a burn permit). At this time no burn permits are being issued.
- **Recreational fires** shall not be constructed within 25' from a structure or any combustible material and no greater than 3' wide and no higher than 2' in height in an approved site.
- **Bar-B-Qs, charcoal briquettes bar-b-q's and open-flame cooking devices** shall be used in accordance with manufacturer's instructions and shall not be used within 10 feet of a structure or combustible material. At this time, the use of charcoal briquettes in an approved device is permitted. Used briquettes must be disposed of in an appropriate matter.
- No person shall throw or place a lighted match, cigar, cigarette, matches, or other flaming or glowing substance or object on any surface or article where it can cause an unwanted or hazardous fire.
- A fire department officer is authorized to order the extinguishment by the person responsible or the fire department, of any open burning that creates or adds to a hazardous or objectionable situation.

These restrictions are enforceable by law, and a violation of which carries penalties and provisions. These restrictions may be adapted to respond to changing fire conditions.

Signed this day, March 25, 2014

Sandra Mantz
Mayor – City of Raton

Jim Mathews
Raton Fire Chief