

254 County Road 4, Naytahwaush, MN 56566

Burn Restrictions

Written Order

Pursuant to the White Earth Conservation Code C.C. 603.02 Subdivision 3, Burning Rules and Regulations, The White Earth Natural Resources Department may, upon such determination, by written order, suspend the issuance of permits for open fires, revoke or suspend the operation of a permit previously issued and, to the extent the White Earth Natural Resources Department deems necessary, prohibit the building of all or some kinds of open fires in all or any part of a wildfire area regardless of whether a permit is otherwise required.

Current data shows the White Earth Reservation to be in severe drought conditions and have had very limited measurable precipitation over the past several weeks. Extended forecasting predicts continued hot and dry conditions. A substantial amount of rainfall is needed to pro-vide relief and reduce fire danger.

Due to the extreme fire danger, and presence of drought conditions, the White Earth Reservation Natural Resources Department is <u>restricting the issuance of burning permits</u>. Campfires, ceremony fires, and recreational fires will be allowed (only in a designated fire receptacle designed for such use) and associated with a residence, dwelling, campground, or resort. No use of fireworks allowed outside of municipalities

These restrictions are meant to reduce the likelihood of a wildfire on the Reservation and will be in effect starting <u>July 23, 2021</u>. The restrictions will remain in effect until rescinded by the White Earth Natural Resources Department.

Please be extra vigilant during these dangerous conditions by doing the following:

 Use every reasonable precaution to prevent campfires from spreading by using campfire rings, remaining with the campfire at all times, and completely extinguishing the campfire before leaving the area

Fire Restrictions may change as fire conditions worsen or lessen. If you have any questions please call the Forestry office at 218-935-5967.

Thank you for doing your part in helping prevent wildfires on the White Earth Reservation.

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