BONNEVILLE COUNTY, IDAHO
RESOLUTION # 16-09
Hereby Declares an Emergency
and Authorizes the
Implementation of a Burning Ban

WHEREAS, the Board values the lives and safety of Bonneville County residents and takes such matters affecting the same seriously; and

WHEREAS, the Board hereby declares that conditions and circumstances within the County now or in the future will necessitate the imposition of an Open Fire Ban to protect the health, safety and welfare of the public; and

WHEREAS, the Board has adopted the International Fire Code by Ordinance No 225-12 for the purpose of protecting, regulating and governing the safeguarding of life and property; and

WHEREAS, the International Fire Code Section 307.1.1 Authorizes the prohibition of open burning when Open burning shall be prohibited when atmospheric conditions or local circumstances make such fires hazardous; and

WHEREAS, many parts of Bonneville County are extremely dry and due to current conditions the threat of wild fires is severe;

WHEREAS, wildfires constitute a real threat to life and property in Bonneville County;

WHEREAS, it is commonly known that from time to time there exists an extreme or serious danger and threat of forest fires, grass fires and wildfires due to dry weather and vegetation conditions in Bonneville County and that fires have caused property damage and the potential for risk of loss of life;

WHEREAS, the Board finds it necessary to prohibit Open Fire, as defined in the International Fire Code;

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED THAT UPON THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS RESOLUTION:

From August 25, 2016 until October 25, 2016, or such earlier date as set forth by the Board, the Board hereby authorizes the Bonneville County Fire Marshal to enforce and implement Section 307.1.1 of the International Fire Code and the Board declares a ban on Open Fires of any kind, as defined in the International Fire Code on all private property located in Unincorporated Areas of the County, except campfires built within an approved pit at improved campgrounds or picnic areas and smoking, except within an enclosed vehicle, building or developed recreation site. This area shall not include public lands belonging to the United States of America or the State of Idaho located within the Unincorporated Areas of the County. Burn permits are required for agricultural burning, however, no permits are being issued at this time.

This resolution shall be in full force and effective immediately after its passage.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 25th day of August, 2016, during the regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners.

BONNEVILLE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Roger S. Christensen, Chairman
Lee Staker, Member
Dave Radford, Member

ATTEST: Penny Manning
Bonneville County Clerk

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