

RESOLUTION NO. ___, SERIES OF 2024
A RESOLUTION REMOVING THE SUSPENSION OF THE FIRE BAN FOR
FREMONT COUNTY PURSUANT TO ORDINANCE NO. 2012-1
AND IMPOSING THE FIRE BAN AS PROVIDED IN ORDINANCE NO. 2012-1

WHEREAS, on June 26, 2012, Fremont County adopted Ordinance Number 1, Series of 2012, which imposes county-wide fire restrictions in Fremont County; and

WHEREAS, Section 10 of the language of the Fire Ban Ordinance allows for the Board of Commissioners to temporarily suspend the Fire Ban if conditions and circumstances warrant such a suspension; and

WHEREAS, on June 13, 2023, in accordance with the request of the Fremont County Sheriff, the Board of County Commissioners approved Resolution 19, Series of 2023, suspending the Fire Restriction Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, Fremont County has abundant dry vegetation and undergrowth in fire-prone areas, weather conditions are currently arid and fuel levels may become dangerously high. Such conditions are predicted to continue creating red flag and fire hazard conditions; and

WHEREAS, current conditions and circumstances of high fire hazard exist in Fremont County, and a potential lack of firefighting resources due to active fires in surrounding counties, necessitate the imposition of a Stage 1 Fire Ban for all unincorporated areas of Fremont County; and

WHEREAS, the Fremont County Board of County Commissioners hereby finds, determines and declares that adoption of this Resolution is necessary for the preservation and protection of the public health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Fremont County; and

WHEREAS, Sheriff Allen Cooper, in his capacity as fire warden for Fremont County in accordance with C.R.S. §30-10-512, C.R.S., has consulted with other entities sharing jurisdiction concerning fires within Fremont County, has assessed the fire danger for Fremont County and has concluded that the Ordinance Imposing Fire Restrictions (Ordinance No. 2012-1) should now be in full force and effect to help prevent wildfires in Fremont County.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR FREMONT COUNTY, that the temporary suspension of Ordinance No. 2012-1, restricting open fires and open burning in the unincorporated areas of Fremont County, shall be and hereby is removed and the provisions of Ordinance No. 2012-1 shall be placed in full force and effect, restricting fires and open burning in the unincorporated areas of Fremont County in accordance with the terms of such Ordinance. The Sheriff of Fremont County shall have authority to determine the effective Stage of the Fire Restrictions and shall provide full and adequate public notice of the effective Stage. The Fremont County Board of County Commissioners and the Sheriff of Fremont County strongly encourage residents of Fremont County, and visitors to Fremont County, to comply with all terms and conditions of the Fire Restrictions, and to exercise great caution with fires and sources that contribute to the fire danger to keep Fremont County safe from wildfires.

This Resolution shall be effective as of the date of the Board's approval of lifting of the suspension of the provisions of Ordinance No. 2012-1, on Tuesday, August 13, 2024 at 9:30 a.m.

Commissioner _____ moved for adoption of this Resolution, with a second by Commissioner _____. The roll call vote of the Board was as follows:

Debbie Bell	Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Kevin J. Grantham	Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Dwayne McFall	Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain

Date: _____

ATTEST:

Chairman

Clerk to the Board