

RESOLUTION NO. 15, SERIES OF 2018
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 December 20, 2016, in accordance with the request of the Fremont County Sheriff, the Board of County Commissioners approved Resolution 39, Series of 2016, suspending the Fire Restriction Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the weather conditions for Fremont County in late 2017 and to date in 2018, have been unseasonably dry, with the total precipitation to date in 2018 being significantly below the annual moisture average; and

WHEREAS, Sheriff James Beicker, in his capacity as fire warden for Fremont County in accordance with §30-10-512, C.R.S., has consulted with other entities sharing jurisdiction concerning fires within the county, has assessed the fire danger for Fremont County and has concluded that the Ordinance imposing Fire Restrictions should now be in full force and effect to help prevent wildfires in Fremont County; and

WHEREAS, the sale, use and possession of fireworks shall be specifically prohibited, as provided in Ordinance Number 2012-1 but subject to the exceptions set forth in the Ordinance, to reduce the threat and risk of wild fires within the County; and

WHEREAS, the weather conditions in Fremont County have been windy with above-average temperatures, low humidity, with little or no precipitation, and such conditions are predicted to continue for at least the next ten days and perhaps for several weeks.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR FREMONT COUNTY, that the temporary suspension of Ordinance Number 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 Number 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 Board of 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 wild fires.

This Resolution shall be effective as of the date of approval of lifting of the suspension of the provisions of Ordinance 1-2012, on **Tuesday, May 8, 2018 at 10:00 a.m.**

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

Debbie Bell	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Dwayne McFall	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Timothy R. Payne	Aye	Nay	<u>Absent</u>	Abstain

Date: 5-10-18

ATTEST:

Dwayne McFall
Chairman

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Clerk to the Board