



## White Earth Reservation Burn Restrictions Decrease

### 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.

Recent moisture and cooler temperatures have reduced fire danger levels on the reservation. Because of these changes, burning restrictions will decrease to Class 3. Although we have received moderate amounts of rain, the northern half of the reservation is still in extreme to exceptional drought.

Due to the continued presence of drought conditions, the White Earth Reservation Natural Resources Department will still be restricting some activities on tribal lands.

- No tribal burning permits will be issued.
- Campfires, recreational fires, and ceremony fires will be allowed on tribal land as long as the area is clear of combustible material within a radius of five (5) feet from the base of the fire. These fires must be associated with a residence, dwelling, campground, or resort.
- Gas/propane camp stoves, charcoal and gas grills will be allowed on tribal land.
- 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 beginning 12:01 a.m. Friday, September 3rd, 2021. The restrictions will remain in effect until rescinded by the White Earth Natural Resources Department.

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. Because of your vigilance and caution we have had no large wildfires on the reservation during this very dry period.

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