

FIRE EMERGENCY AND BURN BAN FOR DUNN COUNTY, NORTH DAKOTA

February 17th, 2021

WHEREAS, Dunn County, North Dakota has very dry conditions with significant fuel supplies available; and

WHEREAS, Dunn County, North Dakota, has sustained or been threatened with rural fires as of this date, and the Dunn County Department of Emergency Services has been in consultation with local fire departments; and

WHEREAS, all available resources remain committed to protecting life and property; and

WHEREAS, the impact of fires could threaten the health, well-being, and safety of the citizens of Dunn County; and

WHEREAS, the cost of response, inordinate equipment wears and fire damages may be in excess of County resources.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Dunn County Commissioners declare a Fire Emergency and Burn Ban to include a ban on cropland burning, garbage burning, charcoal grills, smokers, campfires, and unnecessary off-road motorized travel when the North Dakota Rangeland Fire Index is in the High, Very High, or Extreme category and/or a Red Flag Warning has been issued for Dunn County, North Dakota.

The burning of garbage pits and large controlled burns will not be allowed at this time.

The daily Rangeland Fire Index can be found at the following web site: http://www.ndresponse.gov/burn-ban-restrictions-fire-danger-maps

ANY INDIVIDUAL WHO WILLFULLY VIOLATES THE BURN BAN IS GUILTY OF A CLASS B MISDEMEANOR (NDCC 37-17.1-10): MAXIMUM SENTENCE OF 30 DAYS IN JAIL AND A \$1500 FINE (NDCC 12.1-32.01), AND RESTITUTION OF FIRE SUPPRESSION COSTS MAY BE SOUGHT FROM THE COURT.

Dated this February 17th, 2021 Dunn County North Dakota

Craig Pelton, Chairman Dunn County Commission