



Mountainair Volunteer Fire and Rescue

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“To protect and serve the residents and visitors of the Town of Mountainair...”

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Town of Mountainair

Tuesday, February 18th, 2025

TO: All Residents of Mountainair, NM

Subject: Town-Wide Burn Ban Issued Due to Current Conditions

In response to current conditions and increasing fire risk, and in order to ensure the safety and well-being of our community, a **Fire Burn Ban** is hereby enacted **Effective Immediately**. This precautionary measure has been taken in response to high fire danger in our area, and is implemented to prevent wildfire and property damage; it is intended to protect our community from the devastating impact of wildfire.

Effective Dates:

From 02/18/2025 to, until further notice.

What is Prohibited:

- Open burning of any kind (including campfires, bonfires, and outdoor burning barrels).
- Burning of trash, leaves, or any yard debris.
- Fireworks or any explosive materials that could ignite fires.
- Any activity that may cause sparks or flames outside of designated fire pits or grills in approved areas.

Exceptions:

- Cooking Fires: Campers or residents using **approved outdoor cooking equipment** (gas grills, propane stoves, etc.) are exempt provided they are used safely and kept under control and supervised.

Penalties:

Failure to comply with this burn ban may result in:

- Fine(s) ranging from \$250.00 to \$500.00.
- Legal action if fire activity leads to damage or loss.

Stay Prepared:

Residents are encouraged to take proactive steps to reduce fire risk, including:

- Clearing brush and dry grass from around homes.
- Ensuring fire extinguishers are readily available.

- Reporting any suspected fire hazards to local authorities immediately.

This ban will remain in effect until further notice. We ask all residents to adhere strictly to this restriction for the safety of our community and to prevent potential wildfires.

We understand the inconvenience this may cause and appreciate your cooperation in ensuring the safety of our town. Please be vigilant, and report any suspicious or unauthorized burning activity to the Mountainair Fire Department immediately.

For More Information:

Please contact the Mountainair Fire Department at 505-847-2321, or Torrance County Dispatch at 505-384-2705, or visit <https://mountainairnm.gov/departments/fire-department> for updates.

Thank you,



Joshua R. Archuleta
Chief, Mountainair Fire & Rescue

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