CUBA FIRE RESCUE

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Based on recent wildfire activity and persistent severe fire weather conditions, Cuba Fire Rescue has moved to Stage 2 Fire restrictions for the incorporated areas of the Village of Cuba, and response areas in Sandoval County, until rescinded.

Stage 2 fire restrictions prohibit the following activities in the Village of Cuba.:

- Building, maintaining, attending or using a fire, campfire or stove fire.
- Smoking, except within an enclosed vehicle or building, a developed recreation site, or while stopped in an area at least three feet in diameter that is cleared of vegetation and flammable material.
- Blasting, welding, or operating an acetylene or other torch with open flame.
- Using an explosive of any kind. (Fireworks and other pyrotechnic devices)
- Driving off designated roads. Motorists may park in areas cleared of vegetation within 10 feet of the roadway, or in designated parking areas.

As a result, all open flame sources such as campfires and agricultural burns will be banned until further notice.

In addition to the ban on open burning, the use and sales of fireworks is prohibited in any wild land area in the Village of Cuba, and Sandoval County. The use propane grills is still allowed, though smoking outdoors is discouraged.

The fire ban and fireworks restrictions will be enforced by the Village of Cuba Fire Marshal and the Cuba Police Department and County Sheriff's Office. Anyone found to be conducting an open burn or using illegal fireworks will be subject to arrest and or fine. Residents should report illegal burning or fireworks to 505-891-7226.

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