

2004-6

**RESOLUTION  
OPEN BURNING RESTRICTION**

**WHEREAS**, a potentially severe to extreme fire situation exists throughout Weston County, created by a heavy fuel load and dry summer conditions, could create situations that over extend the fire fighting capability of local government; and,

**WHEREAS**, Wyoming Statute 35-9-301 through 304 provides that upon the recommendation of the County Fire Warden, the Board of Weston County Commissioners may close the area to any form of use by the public or limit such use which shall include the prohibition of any type of open fire for such periods of time as the Board may deem necessary and proper; and

**WHEREAS**, the County Fire Warden, Ray Bergquist, has recommended that open burning restrictions be imposed throughout the county; and

**WHEREAS**, Wyoming Statues 35-10-201 through 208 allow for the regulation of fireworks; and,

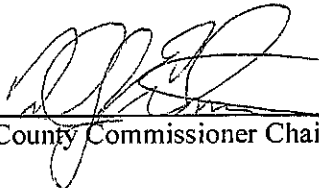
**WHEREAS**, any violation of this resolution may be in violation of W.S. 35-9-304 punishable by up to 30 days in jail and up to a \$100.00 fine or both.

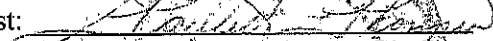
**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE WESTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HEREBY RESOLVES** as follows:

1. That the discharge of fireworks and all outdoor fires are prohibited in the unincorporated area of Weston County except as provided below:
  - (i) Trash or refuse fires between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m., inside containers provided with a spark arrester and located within a cleared area ten feet in radius, are permitted.
  - (ii) Campfires contained within an established fire ring at an established campground, are permitted.
  - (iii) Charcoal fires within enclosed grills, are permitted.
  - (iv) Use of acetylene cutting torches or electric arc welders in cleared areas ten feet in radius, are permitted.
  - (v) Propane or open fire branding activities, in cleared areas ten feet in radius, are permitted.
  - (vi) The listed exceptions set forth in Wyoming Statue 35-10-204.
  - (vii) By a permit granted by the Commissioners for public display.
2. That the State Land Commissioners, Bureau of Land Management and State Forester will be provided a copy of this Resolution when it has been processed.

**MADE, DETERMINED AND RESOLVED** this 20<sup>th</sup> day of July 2004.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, WESTON COUNTY, WYOMING**

  
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County Commissioner Chairman

Attest:   
Paulette Thompson, County Clerk

