

ESTES VALLEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT PREVENT PREPARE PERFORM

To: All affected agencies

From: Paul Capo, Interim Fire Chief Estes Valley Fire Protection District

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Subject: LIFTING of Open Burning Restrictions

Thanks to cooler temperatures and increased moisture, the fire risk within the Estes Valley has reduced since the beginning of the month. Therefore, effective 08:00 on November 14, 2024, I am lifting the open burning restriction within the Estes Valley Fire Protection District. Dangerously dry weather can occur any time of year, so please visit <u>https://www.estesvalleyfire.org/fire-restrictions-bans</u> for the most current fire restriction information.

The risk of wildfires never goes away completely, so residents and guests are still reminded to exercise care whenever burning outside, especially on windy days. A recreational fire's fuel load must remain less than 3 feet in diameter and 2 feet in height, and it is always recommended to have a readily available source of extinguishment. Fires should be wet and cool to the touch before being left unattended. Fireworks remain illegal in the State of Colorado. Learn more on our website.

The Estes Valley Fire Protection District highly recommends having a fire mitigation professional walk your property with you to discuss individual risks. Learn about our free residential risk assessments on our website at <u>www.estesvalleyfire.org/wildfire</u> or email us at <u>prevention@estesvalleyfire.org</u>.

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