

JACKSON COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA
RESOLUTION 2015 - 08

WHEREAS, Jackson County and surrounding areas are experiencing extremely dry conditions due to extended period of drought; and

WHEREAS, the fire danger has reached the extreme category during the fall and winter months; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to SDCL 7-8-20 (18) the Jackson County Commission has the authority to prohibit open burning in Jackson County;

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that the ban on open burning does not apply to: (1) those areas falling within the boundaries of any permitted commercial, state, or federal campground; (2) burn barrels, grate covered outdoor fireplaces, charcoal and liquid fuel grills, and (3) a contained fire used to heat hot irons for branding purposes.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that the ban on open burning shall be in effect during any period of time that the fire danger, as determined by use of the South Dakota grassland fire danger index published by the National Weather Service, has reached the very high or extreme category in Jackson County. The ban on open burning shall automatically be suspended during any time period that the fire danger falls below the very high category in Jackson County; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the prohibition of certain activities, including those provided for in SDCL 34-37-19, shall remain in effect until such time as the Jackson County Commission determines that the threat posed by open burning or wildfires has abated.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that the penalty for violating this resolution is set out pursuant to SDCL 7-18A-2.

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED that the Jackson County Commissioners urge all citizens to use utmost caution to prevent wildfires.

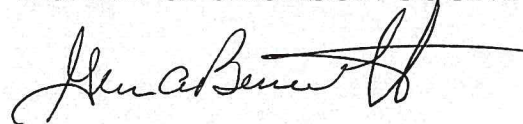
Resolution adopted this 20 th. day of May, 2015.

ATTEST:



Vicki D. Wilson, Jackson County Auditor

BOARD OF JACKSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS



Glen A. Bennett, Chairman