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# News Release

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## **Fire Restrictions Lifted for five PSICC Ranger Districts; Stage 1 remains for South Platte, South Park and Pikes Peak**

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**PUEBLO, Colo., October 30, 2020** – Today, fire restrictions were lifted for the Leadville, Salida, and San Carlos Ranger Districts and the Cimarron and Comanche National Grasslands. The South Platte, South Park and Pikes Peak will remain in Stage 1 fire restrictions. This order is in effect starting at 12:01a.m. Friday, October 30, 2020, and will remain in effect until it is superseded or rescinded, whichever comes first.

“While the snow and moisture have allowed us lift restrictions in some areas, it is important to continue to be careful with campfires because there is still potential for wildfires,” said Diana M. Trujillo, Forest and Grassland Supervisor.

Dispersed camp sites on the South Platte Ranger District including those on Rampart Range Road, Rim Road, Jackson Creek Road, Dakan Road, and the area known as Dutch Fred are considered undeveloped campsites for the purpose of this order.

Under [Stage 1 fire restrictions](#) forest visitors may only smoke in a vehicle or building, and only build or maintain fires and use charcoal in permanent fire pits or fire grates in a developed recreation site, for example in a campground where fees are charged. Visitors cannot operate a chainsaw without an approved spark arresting device and a fire extinguisher. Visitors may not use welding machines or other open flame torches, or use explosives, including fireworks.

Because the restrictions are enforceable by a fine or imprisonment of not more than six months, or both, forest visitors are responsible to ensure they understand the [full restriction](#) and will find any additional fire restrictions implemented by counties adjacent to Forest Service lands in Colorado [here](#) and Kansas [here](#). For more information on fire restrictions, please visit the interactive fire restriction map [here](#). For more fire resources, please visit our [website](#).

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