



# Morton County

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## Morton County Parks Lifts Campfire Ban

Mandan, N.D. – The Morton County Parks and Recreation Department has lifted the campfire ban in Morton County Parks and will now follow the Morton County Fire Emergency and Burn Ban guidelines which took effect on May 4, 2018.

This burn ban is in effect when the North Dakota Rangeland Fire Danger Rating is in the **High, Very High or Extreme category and/or a Red Flag Warning has been issued** for Morton County. A map for daily ratings can be found at our website at [http://www.co.morton.nd.us/index.asp?SEC=F2341364-D413-46FC-8787-23BF9E441DOC&Type=B\\_BASIC](http://www.co.morton.nd.us/index.asp?SEC=F2341364-D413-46FC-8787-23BF9E441DOC&Type=B_BASIC).

“While we have lifted the ban on campfires, we still ask people to be diligent and take precautions to avoid unintentional fires,” said Parks Director Tim Nilsen. “Only light your campfire when you are ready to use it for cooking or for warmth, and if you start a campfire, keep it under control and make certain it is extinguished completely before you leave the site.”

Under the County burn ban, any burning within the restricted area is considered a Class B Misdemeanor, (NDCC 37-17.1-10-.1) with a maximum sentence of 30 days in jail and a \$1,500 fine.

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