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Familiarizing yourself with Morton County's Fire Emergency and Burn Ban

Mandan, N.D. – As Morton County has experienced a High Fire Danger Rating in recent days, we want the public to be aware when our county burn ban is in effect.

The Morton County Fire Emergency and Burn Ban that went into effect on May 4, 2018, was perpetual in nature and remains 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. The danger rating can be viewed daily on our website at <https://www.co.morton.nd.us/mortonfire>.

If the rating is Moderate or Low, the public can call our 24/7 Communication Center at 701-667-3405 to request a controlled burn.

This ban does not include manufactured devices that control or confine the fire such as gas, charcoal or wood fired grills, screened patio fireplaces and chimineas, gas camp stoves and smokers within the city limits of Almont, Flasher, Hebron, Mandan and New Salem. This ban also does not include gas grills outside of city limits.

“In order to avoid a potentially dangerous situation, everyone should use extreme caution during these dry and windy conditions,” said Morton County Emergency Manager Tom Doering. “It only takes a small spark from machinery, a cigarette, or other ignition source to create an unintended grass fire.”

Any burning within the restricted area during the imposed ban 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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