Stage I Fire Restriction Order

Order Number: <u>2006-0207-NNF-02</u>

Nebraska and Samuel R. McKelvie National Forests and Ogla1a National Grassland In Nebraska And

Buffalo Gap and Fort Pierre National Grasslands in South Dakota

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. 551, and 36 CFR § 261.50(a), the following acts are prohibited on all National Forest System lands within the Nebraska and Samuel R. McKelvie National Forests and Oglala National Grassland, in the following counties: Blaine, Cherry, Dawes, Sioux, and Thomas, within the state of Nebraska; and within the Buffalo Gap and Fort Pierre National Grasslands in the following counties: Custer, Fall River, Jackson, Jones, Lyman, Pennington, and Stanley within the state of South Dakota, ("the restricted area"). The restricted area is depicted on the attached map, hereby incorporated into this Order as Exhibit A.

PROHIBITIONS:

- 1. Building, maintaining, attending or using a fire, campfire, or a charcoal, coal, or wood stove fire, except within a developed recreation site, or improved site. 36 CFR § 261.52(a). The use of petroleum-fueled stoves, lanterns or heating devices providing such devices meet the fire Underwriters specifications for safety is allowed.
- 2. Smoking, except within an enclosed vehicle or building, a developed recreation site, or while stopped in an area at least three feet in diameter that is barren or cleared of all flammable material. 36 CFR § 261.52(d).

EXEMPTIONS:

Pursuant to 36 CFR § 261.50(e), the following persons are exempt from this order:

- 1. Persons with a Forest Service permit specifically authorizing the prohibited act or omission.
- 2. Any Federal, State or Local Officer or member of an organized firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.

This Order is necessary to protect public health and safety due to the high fire danger and forecasts for temperatures in excess of 100 degrees for several days.

This Order becomes effective at <u>July 14. 2006</u>, and will remain in force until rescinded or until October 31, 2006 which event ever occurs first. This Order does not replace or supersede existing year round fire restriction orders.

Done at Chadron, Nebraska, this 14th day of July, 2006.

Forest Supervisor
Nebraska National Forest

Violations of these regulations is punishable as a Class B misdemeanor, by a fine of not more than \$5000 for an individual or \$10,000 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than six (6) months or both. 16 USC § 551, and 18 USC §§ 3559 and 3571.



2006 Fire Restriction Order Exhibit A



Nebraska National Forest & Associated Units

