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Fire Restrictions Lifted Across Most of Medicine Bow National Forest

(LARAMIE, Wyo.) August 27, 2012 –In coordination with other federal, state and local agencies, fire restrictions are rescinded effective August 28 on the Brush Creek-Hayden and Laramie Ranger Districts of the Medicine Bow National Forest. While several factors are considered in fire restriction decisions, increased fuel moistures, the reduced occurrence of human-caused fires, and favorable long-term fire weather forecasts helped influence this decision.

Despite increased precipitation in July and part of August, overall drought conditions are predicted to persist over the next several weeks. Forest visitors are advised to use caution when building and maintaining campfires. Always make sure that campfires are dead out, meaning that coals and other burned materials are cool before leaving a fire unattended.

Due to ongoing warm and dry conditions, Stage 2 restrictions remain in effect on the Douglas Ranger District, which includes the Laramie Peak Unit of the Medicine Bow National Forest and the Thunder Basin National Grassland. Under Stage 2 Fire Restrictions no fires are allowed, even in developed campgrounds and picnic areas.

For more information contact the following Forest Service Offices, go to our website at <http://fs.usda.gov/mbr>, or you can follow the MBRTB on Twitter, [@MBRNFsTBNG](https://twitter.com/MBRNFsTBNG).

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- Forest Supervisor's Office/Laramie Ranger District, 2468 Jackson Street, Laramie, WY, (307)745-2300
- Douglas Ranger District, 2250 East Richards Street, Douglas, WY, (307)358-4690

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