



**RESOLUTION 2020-37**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR COCONINO COUNTY, ARIZONA, INVOKING THE WILDFIRE DEFENSE ORDINANCE, ORD. 2017-05, TO ORDER THE ENACTMENT AND ENFORCEMENT OF STAGE TWO RESTRICTIONS UPON WILDFIRE-RISK ACTIVITIES IN ITS JURISDICTION AND AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT TO IMPLEMENT THE SAME**

**WHEREAS**, Arizona Revised Statutes, Section 11-251(63), et seq., authorizes the Board of Supervisors to adopt and provide for the enforcement of ordinances prohibiting open fires and campfires and other activities contributing to wildfires on designated lands in the unincorporated areas of the County when a determination of emergency is issued by the County Emergency Management Director and the Board deems it necessary to protect public health and safety on those lands; and

**WHEREAS**, “unincorporated areas of the County” includes private lands in the County that are outside of the boundaries of any incorporated city or town; and

**WHEREAS**, on May 3, 2017, the Board of Supervisors adopted Ordinance 2017-05, the current Wildfire Defense Ordinance; and

**WHEREAS**, wildfires are an extreme hazard to Coconino County, its residents, public and private property, the tourism industry, and local economy; and

**WHEREAS**, during the time of fire restrictions, as determined by the Board of Supervisors or Emergency Management Director, any fire or fire producing activity in the unincorporated areas of the County will be subject to this Ordinance and the exemptions contained therein; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Section X of the Ordinance, following a report of the Director, the Board of Supervisors may determine that a fire ban is warranted and may issue an Order enacting the fire ban; and

**WHEREAS**, on June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2020, in a duly held and noticed public meeting, the Director of Emergency Management presented a report to the Board of Supervisors identifying significant factors throughout the region and recommended that the County implement Stage Two restrictions as provided in the Ordinance; and

**WHEREAS**, based on the report provided by the Director of Emergency Management containing determinations as described in Section IX of the Ordinance, the Board of Supervisors has determined that current conditions are such that a fire ban is warranted;

**WHEREAS**, on April 28, 2020, prior to the existence of the current conditions, the Coconino County Board of Supervisors issued a proclamation temporarily banning campfires in the unincorporated areas of the County, under the authority of County Resolution 2020-23, declaring the COVID-19 pandemic a local emergency, in response to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic and the fire restrictions issued by the United States Forest Service;

**WHEREAS**, said proclamation is not necessary while the Wildfire Defense Ordinance is in effect;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Coconino County Board of Supervisors that Stage Two fire restrictions are Ordered to apply to the unincorporated jurisdiction of Coconino County, that such restrictions shall be effective immediately upon approval of this Resolution, that progression and regression between stages shall occur according to Section XI of Ordinance 2017-05; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Coconino County Board of Supervisors rescinding the Proclamation banning campfires, dated April 28, 2020.

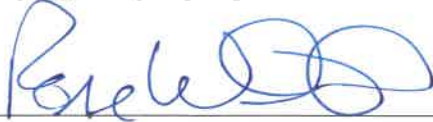
**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 11<sup>th</sup> day of June 2020.


**AYES:** 5  
**NOS:** 0  
**ABSENT:** 0

**COCONINO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

  
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Elizabeth C. Archuleta, Chair

**APPROVED AS TO FORM**

**By:**   
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Deputy County Attorney

**ATTEST:**  
  
Clerk of the Board