LaMoure County 202 4<sup>th</sup> Ave NE LaMoure, ND 58458

## FIRE EMERGENCY & BURN RESTRICTIONS DECLARATION For

## LaMoure County, North Dakota

March 18, 2025

WHEREAS, LaMoure County, North Dakota has and is expected to continue to endure periods of dry conditions with significant vegetative fuels available; and

WHEREAS, all available resources remain committed to protecting life and property; and

WHEREAS, LaMoure County has sustained rural fires this spring; and

WHEREAS, the impact of fires could threaten the health, well-being, and safety of the citizens in LaMoure County; and

WHEREAS, the cost of response, inordinate equipment wear/tear and fire damages may be beyond available LaMoure County resources; and

WHEREAS, LaMoure County wishes to regulate activities within LaMoure County which pose a potential hazard for such loss, should the present weather conditions continue.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of LaMoure County Commissioners declare a Fire Emergency and Burn Restrictions effective when the North Dakota Fire Danger Rating is in the Very High or Extreme Rating and/or Red Flag Warning has been issued for LaMoure County, North Dakota, effective immediately until rescinded or through May 31, 2025 or until rescinded.

What's Included: No Burning When Activity Matches Below	
Burning is Prohibited if the Fire Index is in Extreme Category as Issued by NWS (ND Administrative	
Code – Title 33.1 Article 15 Chapter 4)	
Low	
Medium	
High	
Very High	Campfires, the ignition of fireworks (aerial and ground), controlled burns (i.e., wood piles, tumbleweeds, tree piles, etc.), cropland/agriculture, fireplaces and chimineas patio (organic material), garbage/pit, gas camp stoves, grills/smokers (gas, charcoal, pellet, wood fire), smoking (areas outside designated areas/and or vehicle), and unnecessary off-road motorized travel (anything other than paved or gravel surface).
Extreme	Campfires, the ignition of fireworks (aerial and ground), controlled burns (i.e., wood piles, tumbleweeds, tree piles, etc.), cropland/agriculture, fireplaces and chimineas patio (organic material), garbage/pit, gas camp stoves, grills/smokers (gas, charcoal, pellet, wood fire), smoking (areas outside designated areas/and or vehicle), and unnecessary off-road motorized travel (anything other than paved or gravel surface).
Red Flag Warning	Campfires, the ignition of fireworks (aerial and ground), controlled burns (i.e., wood piles, tumbleweeds, tree piles, etc.), cropland/agriculture, fireplaces and chimineas patio (organic material), garbage/pit, gas camp stoves, grills/smokers (gas, charcoal, pellet, wood fire), smoking (areas outside designated areas/and or vehicle), and unnecessary off-road motorized travel (anything other than paved or gravel surface).

THE PENALTY FOR VIOLATION OF THIS BURN RESTRICTION IS A CLASS B MISDEMEANOR (NDCC 37.17.1-10.1: MAXIMUM SENTENCE OF 30 DAYS IN JAIL AND A \$1,500.00 FINE).

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This declaration does include the incorporated cities of LaMoure County: LaMoure, Verona, Berlin, Edgeley, Kulm Jud, Dickey and Marion.

The Daily Fire Danger Rating is available at the following website: <a href="https://ndresponse.gov">https://ndresponse.gov</a>
DATED at LaMoure County, North Dakota this 18th day of March, 2025.

Heith Hardinger Keith Heidinger, Chair

LaMoure County

Janice Hamlin, Auditor

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