TO: Park Patrons

FROM: Doug Chase, Director, Spokane County Parks, Recreation & Golf Department

DATE: July 12, 2023

SUBJECT: Burn Restrictions within Spokane County Parks

By order of the Fire Code Official burn restrictions are now in effect within all Spokane County Parks until further notice, effective July 12, 2023, unless this order is lifted, in whole or in part, or unless otherwise permitted by law or by authorized agencies.

Burn restrictions shall PROHIBIT all outdoor burning and charcoal briquet BBQs within Spokane County-owned and managed park lands.

This order is not intended to preclude the use of manufactured portable devices such as gas barbecues, cooking stoves, and lanterns that use natural gas or propane gas in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

Any person found with a recreational fire or conducting open burning on Spokane County-owned land who fails to take immediate action to extinguish or otherwise discontinue such burning when ordered or notified to do so shall be charged with a misdemeanor (IFC 109; SCC 3.02), (SCC 6.14.070.13). For questions regarding Spokane County Parks, Recreation and Golf Park lands, call (509) 477-4730.

As authorized by the Fire Code Official, the Director of Spokane County Parks, Recreation and Golf Department (“Parks Director”) may impose additional burn restrictions within Spokane County-owned and managed park lands in the future if determined necessary to ensure public safety and to protect Spokane County property. As such the Parks Director has empowered the Spokane County Park Ranger and Spokane County Campground Hosts at the Liberty Lake Regional Park Campground to impose temporary burn restrictions within the campground (i.e. temporarily prohibit camp fires in designated camp site fire pits) as conditions may necessitate (e.g. moderate to high winds, red flag warnings).

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Doug Chase, Director
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