



## **NJDEP Fire Ban on All Public Lands and Private Properties in All Municipalities Throughout the State**

### **EXTREME FIRE RISK FOR UPCOMING HOLIDAYS**

Together we can ensure a festive fall Holiday season - including Diwali and Halloween events – while safeguarding our communities.

🔥 All **outdoor fires are prohibited** unless they are contained in an elevated stove using only propane, natural gas or electricity. This includes bon fires and residential fire pits.

🔥 **No wood or charcoal fires are allowed**, and the use of kerosene or gas torches of any kind is prohibited while this level of restriction is in place.

🔥 **No firework celebrations** are allowed.

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**Please amplify and share this information with your residents.**

Most wildfires can be avoided by adhering to these commonsense safety tips:

- Don't discard cigarettes, matches or smoking materials on the ground.
- Use indoor wood stoves and fireplaces carefully, both can emit embers that spark fires. Fully douse ashes with water before disposal.
- Be mindful where you park or drive your vehicle. Hot exhaust systems can ignite dry vegetation if parked or driven over it.
- Be careful when cutting your grass or using other yard tools. Power tools like lawnmowers and chainsaws can throw off sparks that ignite dry grass or leaves.
- Keep matches and lighters away from children.

For more information about how to protect your community from wildfire visit [njwildfire.org](http://njwildfire.org)