Fire restrictions begin in Tahoe National Forest

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NEVADA CITY — Fire restrictions will go into effect Sunday in the Tahoe National Forest due to dry conditions.

"I'd also like to remind folks that all fireworks are illegal in the national forests," Forest Supervisor Tom Quinn said in a news release.

Because illegal and abandoned campfires are the main cause of human-caused fires in the forest, campfires will be permitted only in developed campgrounds and other designated sites, in the metal rings and grills provided.

In the backcountry, portable stoves — but not charcoal barbecues — will be permitted with a valid campfire permit. Permits are free and are available at all U.S. Forest Service offices.

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