RESOLUTION NO. 2021-72

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MOFFAT COUNTY, COLORADO, ESTABLISHING STAGE 2 RESTRICTION OF OPEN FIRES AND OPEN BURNING IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF MOFFAT COUNTY, COLORADO

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Moffat County ("Board") adopted Ordinance No. 13-03, an Ordinance Restricting Open Fires and Open Burning in the Unincorporated Areas of Moffat County (the "Moffat County Open Fire and Open Burning Restriction Ordinance"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Moffat County Open Fire and Open Burning Restriction Ordinance, Section 10, the Board may establish, by resolution, the restrictions described in said Ordinance, from time to time, when the fire danger in Moffat County increases; and

WHEREAS, the Moffat County Sheriff and Fire Management Officer have determined that the weather conditions, lack of rainfall, and heavy fuel loading have created a significant threat of prairie and grass fires in all unincorporated areas of Moffat County, and the danger of wildfires is extremely high and a state of emergency exists with respect to such fire danger; and

WHEREAS, the Moffat County Sheriff and Fire Management Officer have requested that the Board impose **Stage 2** restrictions on open burning and open fires in all areas of unincorporated Moffat County, all as defined in the Moffat County Open Fire and Open Burning Restriction Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds that competent evidence has been presented to indicate that the danger of prairie and grass fires in Moffat County is **EXTREME**, and therefore it is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Moffat County to impose **Stage 2** restrictions on open fires and open burning as provided in the Moffat County Open Fire and Open Burning Restriction Ordinance, and impose such restrictions on all unincorporated areas of Moffat County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Moffat County, Colorado, that **Stage 2** restrictions as specified in the Moffat County Open Fire and Open Burning Restriction Ordinance, are hereby imposed in all unincorporated areas of Moffat County beginning at <u>00:01 a.m. on Friday June 25, 2021</u> and shall remain in effect until further action by the Board.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Fire Management Officer or his designee shall coordinate notification of the public through a general press release to local radio and print media, and posting on the Moffat County Sheriff's Office social media outlets.

Signed this 23rd	^d Day of June, 2021.
SEAL	THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MOFFAT COUNTY, COLORADO
A COUNTY CO.	Donald Broom, Chairman

I, Erin Miller, Deputy County Clerk and Ex-officio to the Board of County Commissioners, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of the resolution as adopted by the Board of County Commissioners on the date stated.

WITNESS, my hand and the seal of Moffat County this 23rd Day of June, 2021

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Erin Miller, (Deputy) Clerk and Ex-officio to the County Commissioners, Moffat County, State of Colorado