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Fire Restrictions to be Implemented in Zion National Park; Campfires Prohibited in Watchman and South Campgrounds

As a result of the high fire danger in Zion National Park and the surrounding area, restrictions are being instituted prohibiting campfires and charcoal fires in Watchman and South Campgrounds and smoking on trails. These restrictions will be in effect starting at 12:01 a.m. on Wednesday, June 18, 2014 and will be enforced until rescinded by the Superintendent. Park officials feel that the risk to public safety and structures within Zion National Park from a human-caused fire is great enough that these restrictions are necessary.

The following acts will be **prohibited** in Zion National Park until further notice starting **Wednesday**, **June 18**, **2014 at 12:01 a.m.**

- Setting, building, maintaining, attending, or using a campfire or charcoal fire in Watchman and South Campgrounds, all picnic areas, or permanently improved places of habitation.*
 - *Stoves fueled by petroleum, liquid Propane Gas (LPG) are allowed.
 - *Wood and charcoal fires are allowed at Lava Pont Campground
- Smoking on all trails.*
 - *Smoking is allowed within an enclosed vehicle, a developed recreation site or designated smoking area.
- Discharging, or using any kind of fireworks or other pyrotechnic devices, is prohibited at all times on all federal public lands.

Violation of the above, prohibited acts is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000 and/or imprisonment for not more than twelve months, or both.

For information concerning fire restrictions in Zion National Park call 435 772-3256.

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