May 22, 2015

EXECUTIVE ORDER – Modifying Burning Restrictions to STAGE I RESTRICTIONS

Pursuant to the authority vested in me as the Sheriff of Elbert County, Colorado, by Ordinance No. 06-01, as amended by Amendment 1 to Ordinance No. 06-01, and Colorado Revised Statute 30-10-512, I, Shayne Heap, hereby issue this Executive Order pertaining to the declaration of the open fire and open burning restrictions.

On or about July March 20, 2015, the Elbert County Sheriff’s Office issued an Executive Order, modifying the burn restrictions to STAGE II RESTRICTIONS. Based upon recommendations of local Fire Chiefs and the Elbert County Office of Emergency Management, it is determined that a reduction from STAGE II RESTRICTIONS to STAGE I RESTRICTIONS is warranted.

STAGE I RESTRICTIONS shall prohibit the following activities:
1. Open burning, excepting charcoal grill fires, fires in approved portable exterior fireplaces, and outdoor welding or hot work, and the sale and use of fireworks in compliance with State and Local regulations.
2. Outdoor smoking, excepting smoking within an enclosed vehicle or building, a developed recreation site, or while stopped in an area at least three feet in diameter that is barren or cleared of all flammable materials.

The STAGE I RESTRICTIONS shall take effect immediately upon the issuance of this Executive Order. The STAGE I RESTRICTIONS shall remain in effect until such time the restrictions are modified by either the Elbert County Sheriff pursuant to Ordinance No. 06-01, as amended.

The full text county ordinance can be found at:

Shayne Heap
Elbert County Sheriff