

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-06

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF
RIO BLANCO COUNTY, COLORADO PURSUANT TO ORDINANCE NO. 2006-3
CONCERNING BANS ON OPEN FIRES IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS
OF RIO BLANCO COUNTY**

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado (Board) enacted Ordinance No. 2006-3, effective June 26, 2006, providing for the banning, from time to time, of open fires in the unincorporated areas of Rio Blanco County to reduce the danger of wildfires; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 2006-20, the Board found that the fire ban should be temporarily lifted due to the conditions that existed as of August 14, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the firefighting authorities within the State of Colorado have determined that different levels of restrictions on open fires should be imposed depending upon the severity of current weather conditions and the dryness of vegetation; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that the Sheriff of Rio Blanco County, Anthony Mazzola, as the County's designated Fire Marshall, should confer with representatives of the United States Forest Service and the Bureau of Land Management from time to time and make the decisions as to the level of fire restrictions throughout Rio Blanco County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado as follows:

1. Pursuant to Ordinance 2006-3, a ban on open fires based upon the restriction stages described on Exhibit A attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference, in the unincorporated areas of Rio Blanco County is hereby imposed. The date of this ban and the restriction level to be imposed shall be determined by further action of the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado or Anthony Mazzola, the Sheriff of Rio Blanco County.
2. The Sheriff of Rio Blanco County is hereby specifically authorized to impose a ban, lift a ban, or increase or decrease a ban from one stage or another, as he determines conditions warrant from the date of this Resolution through the term of his office.
3. The adoption of this Resolution is necessary and proper to provide for the safety, preserve the health, promote the prosperity, and improve the order, comfort, welfare and convenience of the County and the inhabitants thereof.

4. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this Resolution is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by the final decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Resolution. The Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado, declares that it would have adopted this Resolution and each section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or portion herein, despite the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses, phrases, or portions would be declared invalid or unconstitutional.

DULY MOVED, SECONDED, AND PASSED ON A VOTE OF 3 FOR AND 0 AGAINST, THIS 25th DAY OF MARCH, 2019.



(Seal)

Attest:

Boris McCampbell
Clerk to the Board

The Board of County Commissioners
of Rio Blanco County, Colorado

By: Jeff Rector
Jeff Rector, Chairman

By: Si Woodruff
Si Woodruff, Commissioner

By: Gary Moyer
Gary Moyer, Commissioner