



February 28, 2025

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE – MILLS COUNTY OPEN BURN BAN

[Glenwood] – Due to the continued high temperatures, existing dry fuels, limited moisture, and renewed drought conditions, an open burn ban will go into effect Friday, February 28, 2025, at 8:00am, for all areas and jurisdictions within Mills County. The ban prohibits all open and controlled burning in Mills County, including all incorporated city limits within the county.

Citizens are reminded to not throw out cigarettes from moving vehicles and to discontinue burning yard waste, piled tree debris, grass/agriculture ground and set asides or other items during this ban. Small recreational campfires are permitted only if they're conducted in a fireplace of brick, metal, or heavy one-inch wire mesh, however extreme caution should be taken. Any campfire not in an outdoor fireplace is prohibited.

Violation of the open burn ban can subject a person to criminal charges as well as civil liabilities for any damage, losses or injuries resulting from the fire.

The open burn ban will remain in effect until the dangerous fire conditions are no longer present.

For more information contact the State Fire Marshal's Office at (515) 725-6145 or go to www.dps.state.ia.us. You can also contact Mills County Emergency Management at (712) 527-3643.

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