

DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION PROHIBITED FIRE SEASON

From the 1st day of February 2006 until this notice is cancelled the Minister of Conservation as Fire Authority for all State Areas gives notice to the public that a prohibited fire season shall apply to all land administered by the Department of Conservation and within 1 kilometre of that land within the area described.

“Mackenzie Basin and Ashburton Lakes areas that are west of a line from the Rakaia River along State Highway 72, thence up the Rangatata River and Boundary Stream and a line to the Lochaber Road and Clayton Road to State Highway 8 at Fairlie. Thence along State Highway 8 to Burkes Pass, and along the Rollesby, Dalgety and Kirkilston Ranges. The area is boarded to the south by the Kurow River thence along the Ida Range, Hawkdun Range, then the catchment of the Ahuriri to the Main Divide, and to the North by the Rakaia River”

In this area no person shall light a fire in the open air except pursuant to a special written permit issued by a Rural Fire Officer

The following activities are suspended under this notice, crop residue burning, cooking fires and solid fuel barbecues. Gas fuelled barbecues and gas cookers which contain no charcoal or solid fuel are exempt from this notice.

People seeking further information or wishing to obtain a special fire permit can contact the appropriate Department of Conservation Office.

Department of Conservation, Christchurch	(03) 379 9758
Mahaanui Area (North Canterbury)	(03) 371 3706
Akaroa Field Centre	(03) 304 1000
Hanmer Field Centre	(03) 315 7154
Waimakariri Area	(03) 318 9085
Mount Thomas Field Centre	(03) 312 8564
Raukapuka Area	(03) 693 1010
Twizel Area	(03) 435 0802
Aoraki Area	(03) 435 1819

This notice is issued pursuant to section 22(2) of the Forest and Rural Fires Act 1977 this 1st day of February 2006.

M.J. Cuddihy
Conservator Canterbury

(Principal Rural Fire Officer acting under delegated authority from the Minister of Conservation)