



## Gathering Downed Firewood Special Stipulations

These Special Stipulations are part of your permit and must be in the permittee's possession when gathering and transporting firewood upon public lands or roads.

### KING RANGE NATIONAL CONSERVATION AREA PARADISE RIDGE RD, WHITETHORN, CA

1. Permits gathering of "downed" firewood within 200 feet of the centerline of designated roads in the area(s) referenced by the attached maps.
  - a. Unrestricted Zone is open year round with wet weather restrictions based on road conditions (see prohibited actions #7 and #8)
  - b. Restricted Zone is open between August 1 – January 31 (see reference map)
2. Motorized vehicles must remain on designated roads when collecting firewood.
3. Ensure all power saws are equipped with an exhaust system and are in good condition. Each saw must have a spark arrestor consisting of a wire mesh screen with a maximum mesh opening of .023 inches.
4. Check with King Range Project Office for potential fire restrictions in the permitted collection areas at (707) 986-5400 and visit <https://www.blm.gov/programs/public-safety-and-fire/fire-and-aviation/regional-info/california/fire-restrictions#Arcata>. This is an especially critical planning step during summer fire season.
5. Adhere to all instructional and regulatory signs posted on BLM lands.
6. Slash (branches, stems, etc.) and any unused vegetative material resulting from gathering activities must be removed from roads, fences, and other improvements and scattered on the ground at no more than 24 inches high.
7. Leave gates as you found them.
8. Permits are non-refundable and non-transferable and are only valid on public lands administered by Bureau of Land Management within the areas specified on the map provided.
9. Securely attach and validate (punching out the month and day of transport) one haul tag per half cord of firewood while the load is in transport making sure haul tags are highly visible from the rear of the vehicle.

#### PROHIBITED ACTIONS

1. Cutting, injuring, or removing any standing trees.
2. Damaging or disturbing any downed tree with visible cavities or other evidence of wildlife use.
3. Disturbing sensitive natural and cultural resources (prehistoric sites, historic sites, or artifacts, archaeological and historic resources) which are protected by federal laws such as the Endangered Species Act, National Environmental Policy Act and Archaeological Resources Protection Act, among others.
4. Forest product removal within 150 feet of the centerline of any flowing watercourse or paved road or highway.
5. Blocking traffic or impeding fire and emergency vehicles.
6. Using heavy equipment to cut and/or remove forest products.
7. Vehicular travel on roads when it creates rutting more than four (4) inches deep.
8. Vehicular travel on roads that show evidence of having been closed to vehicular traffic by such means as berms, ripping, scarification, reseeding, fencing, gates, barricades or posted closures.
9. Littering or dumping trash.
10. Harvest within 200 feet of any active forestry and fuels reduction work.