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### **Charcoal Fire Ban Effective Immediately**

Our Federal and State land management officials have implemented a Fire Ban on all campfire and charcoal use BBQs in Placer and Nevada Counties in California. North Lake Tahoe Fire Protection District will be joining this ban effective Monday, May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021. This is a result of our lack of precipitation and the forecasted extreme fire danger due to exceedingly dry conditions, critical weather and increasing fire danger.

In addition to the previously enacted fire restrictions, set forth May 6, 2021; effective immediately, the North Lake Tahoe Fire Protection District has declared a fire ban to prohibit the use of charcoal. This ban is in effect until further notice and applies to the IVGID parks and beach charcoal grilling areas. These restrictions are in coordination with our land management officials both state and federal.

“Given the critical weather conditions, lack of precipitation and potential extreme fire behavior statewide and in our region, we are joining our neighboring fire districts in an effort to strengthen our resiliency against the threat of wildfire in the Lake Tahoe Basin”, said Fire Chief Ryan Sommers.

To learn more about how to prepare for wildfire, please visit <https://www.tahoelivingwithfire.com/>.

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