

Resolution No. 20-2017

EMERGENCY RESOLUTION APPROVING AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING  
PENALTIES FOR VIOLATING STAGE II FIRE RESTRICTIONS

WHEREAS, the Fergus County Board of Commissioners passed a resolution on July 27, 2017, enacting Stage II Fire Restrictions in Fergus County, and

WHEREAS, fire danger continues to be extreme in Fergus County; and

WHEREAS, Fergus County wishes to deter violations of Stage II Fire Restrictions; and

WHEREAS, Montana Code Annotated does not provide a clear penalty for violating Stage II Fire Restrictions, and

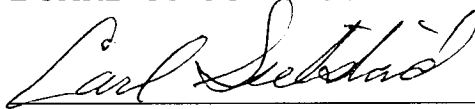
WHEREAS, Montana Code Annotated § 7-5-104 allows the Board of County Commissioners, in the event of an emergency, to pass an ordinance without a second reading and for such ordinance to be effective for (ninety) 90 days; and

WHEREAS, Montana Code Annotated § 7-5-104 does not define “emergency” but Montana Gov. Steve Bullock on July 23, 2017, declared a state of emergency in Montana due to wildfires;

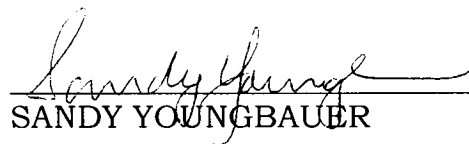
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Ordinance No. 1-2017, which is attached hereto, is hereby adopted and shall be in effect for Ninety (90) days.

**ADOPTED** this 11 day of September, 2017 by the Board of Commissioners, Fergus County, Montana.

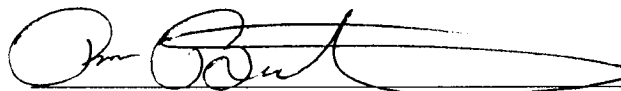
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