



**Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs
Wildland Fire & Management**

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Warm Springs Wildland Fire Management #Eclipse2017 Key Messages for Firefighters

Public and firefighter safety is always our first priority. We ask the public visiting the Reservation to respect signs, barriers and law enforcement officers helping to keep the public safe.

Understand your risks. Bring sun and the correct eye protection. Cell service may not be available in remote areas or could be limited due to heavy demand. Consider turning off your phone to help keep lines open for emergencies.

Protect Your Eyes! – Never look directly at the sun without a special purpose safe solar filter – ordinary glasses are not safe! **DO NOT** look at the sun through a camera, telescope, binoculars while using your eclipse glasses. Make sure your glasses are in good conditions – not scratched, torn or missing lenses.

Be prepared. Food, water, gas and other services are expected to be limited or unavailable during the weekend leading up to the eclipse. Lodging and camp sites are fully booked in Warm Springs and surrounding communities. Day- use options are limited. As firefighters prepare for these challenges, we ask our community members to think of these things too.

Be respectful of our home. Pack it in. Pack it out. The Reservation has limited garbage services. With the influx of people, there will be that much more trash. If you bring it in, please take it with you.

Skip the campfire: Because of extreme fire conditions, a Burn Ban is in effect across the Warm Spring Reservation. This includes all campfires and open burning.

Do not park, idle, or drive on dry grass. Hot metal on the undercarriage can ignite a fire vehicle or spark a wildfire. Ensure all parts of your vehicle are secure and not dragging. A loose safety chain or muffler striking a rock or pavement could send a shower of sparks into dry vegetation.

Before heading out, make sure your destination is still open and safe to visit. The region has experienced significant lightning activity in recent days, prompting additional closures and increasing the likelihood for new wildfires.

Know before you go. The public is encouraged to use Trip Check to monitor traffic and other traffic conditions. Visit: <https://tripcheck.com/Pages/RCMap.asp>

If you see a wildfire, call 911. Dispatchers are staffing offices to respond to calls. They will ask for a descriptive location and ask questions to get as much information as possible.

Be patient. With all the people expected to converge on Warm Springs, delays will occur and anxiety will increase. Please be patient, respectful and kind to each other as we all want a safe, positive and memorable experience to commemorate this once-in-a-lifetime event.