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Personal Use Fuelwood Season Extended

The Inyo National Forest announces that personal use fuelwood season has been extended throughout November 30, 2021 weather conditions permitting.

Fuelwood collection typically ends at the end of October to reduce resource damage that can occur from wet conditions caused by typical season ending storms. Due to unseasonably warm and dry conditions, the forest is extending fuelwood collection. However, the fuelwood season will be suspended when and if it is warranted for resource protection, so fuelwood collectors should track weather trends and plan accordingly.

“I understand that this has been a difficult fuelwood season with a delayed start to the season and numerous chainsaw restriction days due to the extended drought and fire danger,” said Lesley Yen, Forest Supervisor. “While conditions remain favorable, I want to ensure that this valuable service is provided to our visitors and residents.”

Previously obtained fuelwood permits that haven't been used are still valid or residents may purchase additional tags (as long as they don't exceed the household limit).

If you haven't purchased fuelwood permits yet, you are encouraged to do so as soon as possible. It can take about two weeks to receive them via the mail.

Fuelwood permits may be obtained by email and through the mail:

Send an email: SM.FS.InyoFW_Permit@usda.gov

Mail-in requests: Inyo National Forest Attn: fuelwood permit, 351 Pacu Lane Suite 200 Bishop, CA 93514.

Each request should include your name, physical address, mailing address, phone number, driver's license number and number of cords requested. Permits will be returned to requesters by hardcopy mail.

Please call 760-873-2555 (option 2 for public wood cutting) to determine if chainsaw use is allowed for the day.

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