

Salt Lake City
Trails & Natural Lands



Wildfire Prevention in Salt Lake City's Open Space

Take the Pledge - [Sparkchange.utah.com](https://sparkchange.utah.com)

Wildfire season is here and off to a hot start. With 9 out of every 10 wildfires caused by humans, it is essential that each of us do our part to prevent wildfires. Review this list of safety and prevention strategies to prepare you for a summer of exploration throughout Salt Lake City's trails and natural areas.

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Plan Ahead and Prepare



Let someone else know where you are going, sign in at the trailhead, know your route and be sure to know how to get out!

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Check the Forecast



Know the weather before you go. While recreating, watch for sudden changes in the weather or changing weather conditions. If you see or hear a thunderstorm approaching, consider leaving the area.

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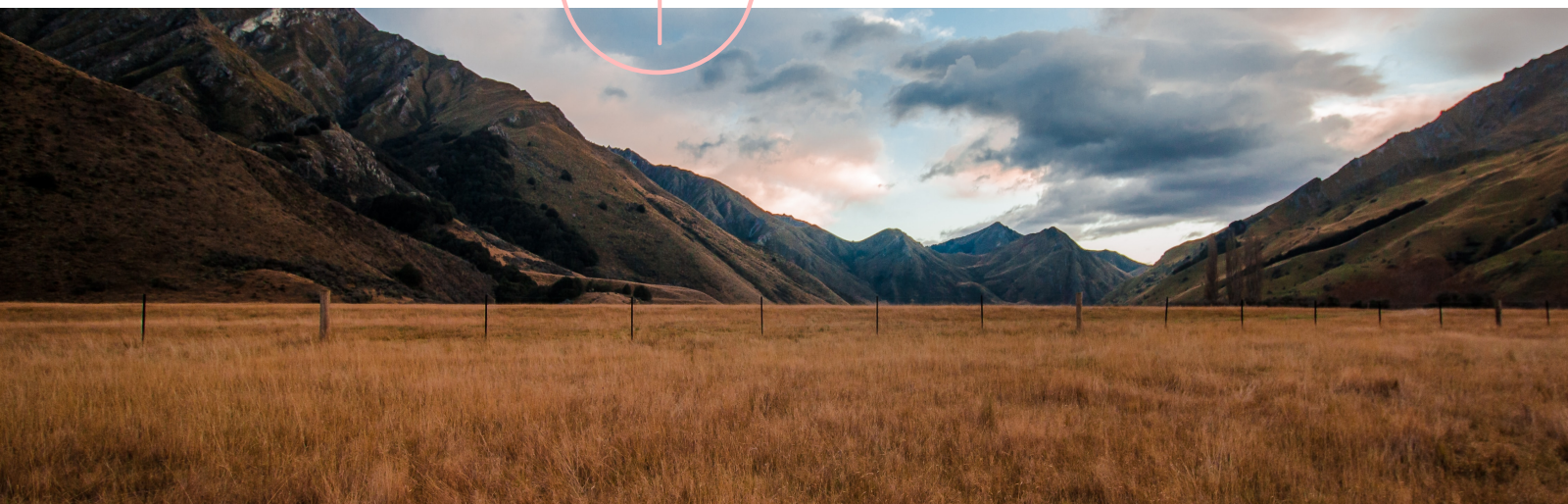
Out Cold



Before starting a fire, be sure it is a safe place and time to have one. If you're not within reach of a water source, do not start a fire. Commit to drowning all fires (or briquettes) with water. Coals should be completely extinguished and cold to the touch before leaving.

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Travel Smart



Be careful driving through or parking on dry grass or brush. The hot underside of the vehicle or off highway vehicle (OHV) may start a fire.

05 Avoid Smoking



Do you smoke? Avoid smoking on trails as you never know where the ash will land. Make sure you're putting your smokes out on rock or bare dirt, not on trees or stumps. Be sure to pack out all cigarette butts.

06 Sneaky Sparks



Sparks from lawnmowers, firearms and other equipment CAN start wildfires, be careful on hot dry days and avoid days that are windy. Keep a shovel and fire extinguisher handy.

07 Call 911



If you see smoke, fire, or suspicious activities, note the location as best you can and report it to authorities. Do NOT attempt to contact suspicious people, travel towards it, or try to put out a fire by yourself.

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Respect Trail Closures



Obey trail and fire closures. You might not understand the logic of closure boundaries, but there is detailed planning and science behind it. Help us, help you.



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Become a Salt Lake City Steward

Are you invested in the care of our trails and natural lands? Do you hope to see a sustainable landscape for generations to come? Maintaining a world class destination takes a village. Become a volunteer and get involved in preserving the lands you love!



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