



June 12, 2007

To all Russell Cabin and Russell Ferry Residents:

Effective June 9, 2007, the Alabama Forestry Commission and Governor Riley issued a Declaration of Emergency Drought Condition for 33 Alabama counties, including Tallapoosa County. The Declaration of Extreme Drought Emergency prohibits by law open fires and fireworks.

Effective May 18, 2007, all 67 Alabama counties were placed under a Fire Alert by the Alabama Forestry Commission. A Fire Alert restricts burning activities to individuals with significant burning experience and above average fire control equipment. According to officials with the Alabama Forestry Commission, conditions in Alabama are extreme and the potential for fire to get out of control is high. The Fire Alert remains in effect for Elmore County.

Under the existing circumstances, Russell Lands requests all cabin residents to refrain from any outdoor burning until the Drought Emergency and Fire Alert are cancelled. I will also remind cabin residents that fireworks are prohibited by your lease. Any violation of these prohibitions will be taken seriously and could result in termination of your lease.

Russell Lands will sponsor the Annual July 4<sup>th</sup> Fireworks Show at the Lake Martin Amphitheater under special permit from the Alabama Forestry Commission and the State Fire Marshall. As is customary, firefighters, fire trucks and earth moving equipment will be on site as a precaution. I encourage all cabin residents to attend this family friendly, professionally managed display rather than engaging in high-risk homemade displays.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Steve R. Forehand".

Steve R. Forehand  
Vice President and General Counsel