

KOOTENAI NATIONAL FOREST
31374 US Hwy 2
Libby, MT 59923
Forest Supervisor's Order

**CLOSURE ORDER – AREA, ROAD & TRAIL RESTRICTIONS
FIRE ACTIVITY**

**For Public Safety of the National Forest System Lands, Roads, & Trails in the Vicinity of
Ross Creek Cedars is closed to public use and travel due to current fire activity.**

Pursuant to 36 Code of Federal Regulations 261.50 (a) and (b) the following acts are prohibited on all National Forest System lands administered by the Kootenai National Forests in Lincoln County, Montana as depicted on the attached map as **Attachment A**, and hereby incorporated into the order. These restrictions are in addition to those enumerated in Subpart A, Part 261, Title 36 Code of Federal Regulations and become effective at 0001 a.m. Mountain Daylight Time on Tuesday, August 25, 2015 and will remain in effect until rescinded.

36 CFR 261.52 – Fire. When provided by an order, the following are prohibited:

Going into or being upon an area.
[36 CFR 261.52(e)]

36 CFR 261.53 – Special Closures When provided in an order, it is prohibited to go into or be upon any area which is closed for the protection of:

Public health or safety.
[36 CFR 261.53(e)]

36 CFR 261.55 – National Forest System Trails. When prohibited by an order issued in accordance with Sec. 261.50 of this subpart, the following are prohibited on a National Forest System trail:

Being on the trail.
[36 CFR 261.55(a)]

36 CFR 261.54 – National Forest System Roads. When provided by an order, the following are prohibited:

Being on the road.
[36 CFR 261.54(e)]

Description of Area Restricted to National Forest Access

For the purpose of this order, it is prohibited to be on any National Forest System Land, Roads, or Trails within: all or portions of Township 28N Range 33W Sections 4, 5,6,7,8,17 and 18; Township 28N Range 34W Sections 1,2,3,4,5,6,7 and 12; Township 29N Range 33W Sections 19,20,29,30,31 and 32; Township 29N Range 34W Sections 21 22,23,24,25,26,27,28,31,32,33,34, 35 and 36; Township 29N Range 35W Section 36; Montana Principal Meridian as shown in the attached maps and described below:

National Forest System Trails:

- 143 Little Spar Lake
- 513 Mt. Vernon/Spar Peak
- 324 Spar Peak
- 142 Ross Creek

National Forest System Roads:

- 4626 Stanly Creek
- 4628 South Face Mt. Vernon
- 398 Ross Creek
- 8012 Bad Medicine Camp Ground
- 14704A Bad Medicine Camp Ground Loop 2

National Forest System Campground:

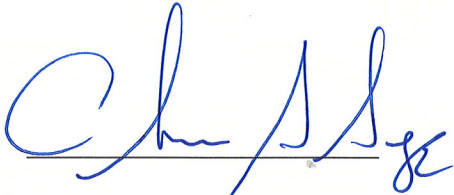
- Bad Medicine

Exemptions:

Pursuant to 36 CFR 261.50(e), the following persons are exempt from this order:

1. Persons with a permit specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission.
2. Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.
3. Troy mine personnel working at Troy Mine site accessing open road 4626 to the mine site in accordance of their official duties.
4. Road 8019 West Shore Bull Lake County Road will remain open to persons with residences in in Township 29N Range 33W Section 29.

Done this day: August 24, 2015.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Chris Savage', written over a horizontal line.

CHRISTOPHER S. SAVAGE
Forest Supervisor, Kootenai National Forest

Penalty:

Violations of these prohibitions are punishable by a fine of not more than \$5000 for an individual or \$10,000 for an organization, or imprisonment of not more than 6 months, or both. (16 U.S.C. 551 and 18 U.S.C. 3559 and 3571).

Notification:

A copy of this order shall be posted as prescribed under 36 CFR 261.51.

Temporary Area Closure Attachment A- Ross Creek Area

