

ORDER OF THE FOREST SUPERVISOR RESTRICTING DEVELOPED RECREATION SITE OCCUPANCY AND USE, TO WIT: WHITE MOUNTAIN NATIONAL FOREST – NEW HAMPSHIRE and MAINE

Under the authority of the Act of Congress dated June 4, 1897, as amended (16 U.S.C. 551), and pursuant to the Secretary of Agriculture's Regulations set forth as 36 CFR Part 261, Subpart B (36 CFR 261.50(a) and (b)), the following acts and omissions are prohibited: in all Developed Recreation Sites on the White Mountain National Forest located in Carroll, Coos and Grafton Counties of New Hampshire, and Oxford County, Maine, said areas being described and designated as shown on the map set forth at Exhibit A which is attached hereto and made a part hereto:

- 1. Entering or using a developed recreation site or portion thereof when posted closed. (36 CFR 261.58(b))
- 2. Entering and remaining in a campground between 10 p.m. and 6 a.m. in violation of a posted sign, except for persons who are occupying such campgrounds. (36 CFR 261.58(e))
- 3. Using a developed campground site by more than eight (8) persons except at designated group sites. (36 CFR 261.58(f))
- 4. Parking or leaving a vehicle in violation of posted sign or instructions. (36 CFR 261.58(g))
- 5. Parking or leaving a vehicle outside a parking space assigned to one's own camp unit, unless posted otherwise. (36 CFR 261.58 (h))
- 6. Possessing, parking or leaving more than two vehicles, except motorcycles or bicycles per camp unit, unless posted otherwise. (36 CFR 261.58(i))

THESE RESTRICTIONS ARE NECESSARY FOR PUBLIC SAFETY AND TO PROTECT NATIONAL FOREST PROPERTY. THEY ARE IN ADDITION TO THE GENERAL PROHIBITIONS SET FORTH IN 36 CFR PART 261. THE PROHIBITION WILL BE IN EFFECT FROM THE DATE OF THIS ORDER UNTIL SPECIFICALLY WITHDRAWN BY TERMINATION ORDER OF THE FOREST SUPERVISOR.

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

- 1. Persons with permit specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission (36 CFR 261.50(e)(1)); and,
- 2. Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of any organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty (36 CFR 261.50(e)(4));

Violation of these prohibitions is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5000.00 for an individual or \$10,000.00 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than six (6) months, or both (16 U.S.C., 18 U.S.C. 3559 and 3571).

Dated this 4th day of May 2009 at Laconia, New Hampshire.

/S/ Thomas G Wagner
Thomas G. Wagner
Forest Supervisor
White Mountain National Forest

Exhibit A

Map of Developed Recreation Site Prohibitions on the White Mountain National Forest

Rationale for: Developed Recreation Sites Restrictions

These restrictions are for the protection of forest resources and public safety at the Developed Recreation Sites on the Forest. They prevent site deterioration from overuse, overcrowding of sites that affect neighboring sites, indiscriminate parking that damages resources. Use on the White Mountain National Forest has continued to increase over the years but out number of developed recreation sites have remained relatively constant. Therefore it has become necessary to impose a degree of control at our developed recreation sites that would preserve the recreation setting and experience for our visitors

