

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
FOREST SERVICE
GIFFORD PINCHOT NATIONAL FOREST
MOUNT ST HELENS NATIONAL VOLCANIC MOUNUMENT ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICT
AMBOY, WA

FOREST ORDER NO. 06-03-01-23-03

Sunset Fire Area Closure

Pursuant to 16 USC § 551 and 36 CFR § 261.50(a) and (b), the following acts are prohibited within the area described below and on the attached map (**Exhibit A**) on the Mount St. Helens National Volcanic Monument Administrative District within the Gifford Pinchot National Forest. These prohibitions will be effective beginning October 21, 2022, through November 30, 2023, unless rescinded earlier.

Prohibitions:

- 1) **Going into or being upon an area closed for the protection of public health or safety.** [36 CFR 261.53(e)].
- 2) **Being on a road.** [36 CFR § 261.54(e)].
- 3) **Being on a trail.** [36 CFR § 261.55(a)].
- 4) **Entering or using a developed recreation site or portion thereof.** [36 CFR § 261.58(b)].

Closure Area Description:

All National Forest System (NFS) lands—including all areas, roads, trails, and campgrounds and developed recreation sites—are closed to all occupancy and travel within the following closure area boundary description. Refer to the attached map (**Exhibit A**):

Beginning at NFS Road 4200 at the intersection of NFS Road 4100, the closure area boundary goes east along NFS Road 4200 to the intersection of NFS Road 5300; then west along NFS Road 5300 to the intersection with NFS Road 4205, west along NFS Road 4205 to the Forest Boundary, south along the Forest Boundary to NFS Road 4200, east along the north edge of NFS Road 4200 to the intersection with NFS Road 4100 and the point of beginning.

Road Closure Description:

Travel is prohibited on all NFS Roads within the closure area, including spur roads within the closure area and the boundary roads themselves, as shown on the attached map (**Exhibit A**).

Campgrounds and Developed Recreation Sites:

All campgrounds, trailheads, and other developed recreation sites within the closure area are closed as shown on the attached map (**Exhibit A**).

- Sunset Campground

- East Fork Trailhead

Trail Closure Description:

Travel is prohibited on all NFS Trails within the closure area boundary.

Exemptions:

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

1. Any Federal, State, or County officer, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.
2. Persons with Forest Service Permit No. FS-7700-48 (Permit for Use of Roads, Trails, or Areas Restricted by Regulation or Order), specifically exempting them from this Order.
3. Owners or lessees of land within the closed area.

Violations of these prohibitions are punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000 for an individual or \$10,000 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than 6 months, or both. (16 U.S.C. § 551, and 18 U.S.C. §§ 3551, 3559, 3571, and 3581).

Executed in Vancouver, Washington this 21st day of October, 2022.

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