

Assessment of Need and Enforcement Plan

- 1. Background: Description of problem and why the order is proposed. The appropriate staff prepares the order and ensures all other required documentation is completed.**

Due to the nature of the Grease Creek Fire and the significant potential for rolling debris, landslides, and fire weakened trees it's not safe for hikers or any type of traffic. The large number of hazards associated with the fire makes the roads in this area unsafe for the public.

The Grease Creek Fire Closure Area is described as the NFS Lands within the area described below and on the attached map:

- South of and not including Forest Service Road 2200000 (Sullivan Creek Road) to Pass Creek.
- South of Pass Creek to Pass Creek Pass at the forest boundary.
- West of Idaho Panhandle National Forest System Lands.
- North of and not including Forest Service Road 1935 (Harvey Creek Road) to the junction of Forest Service Trail 503 (Grassy Top Trail).
- East of Forest Service Trail 504 (Lakeshore Trail) and the 2200-241 (Sullivan Lake Campground Road).

- 2. Intent of Subpart B order: The rationale behind the order and what should be accomplished.** Provide for public safety by controlling vehicle movement and activities including hunting, hiking, camping, and forest product collection in the indicated area. There are significant amounts of fire weakened trees, increased potential for landslides, and rolling debris found within the burn area associated with the Grease Creek Fire. These restrictions will be in effect from October 9th, 2015 until the fire under control and/or the area is safe.

- 3. Enforcement Plan: The following activities need to occur to implement this special order in a manner that results in public acceptance and safety.**

Action	Responsible Official	Date
Prepare proposed order(s)	Rick Hall	
Law Enforcement	Will Markwardt	
Approve proposed order(s)	Rodney Smoldon, Forest Supervisor	
Post Order in accordance with 36 CFR 261.51.		
Prepare news release for local media describing the order and management objectives	Franklin Pemberton	
Describe implementation/action taken for order, such as planned patrols, enforcement strategies, tolerance, contacts to local public agencies. Implement plan.	Monitor/enforce orders through routine patrols conducted by Law Enforcement Officers assigned to the Colville NF and Sullivan Lake RD FPOs. Post signs (type III barricades with "area Closed" signs) at road junctions to notify users of changed conditions and closures.	Ongoing

Enforcement Plan approved for implementation:


Rodney Smoldon
Forest Supervisor


Date

COLVILLE NATIONAL FOREST
Newport Ranger District
Newport, Washington

Order No. 15-21-19
FOREST ORDER
FIRE CLOSURE

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. 551 and 36 CFR 261.50(a) and (b), and to provide for public safety, the following acts are prohibited on National Forest System (NFS) Lands as shown on the attached map and described below within the Newport Ranger District of the Colville National Forest. This closure is effective beginning October 9th, 2015, and will remain in effect until this closure order is terminated.

1. **Going into or being upon NFS lands within the Fire Closure Area.** [36 CFR 261.53(e)]
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2. **Being on any NFS road within the Fire Closure Area.** [36 CFR 261.54(e)]
3. **Being on any NFS trail within the Fire Closure Area.** [36 CFR 261.55(a)].

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

1. Persons with a permit from the Forest Service specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission.
2. Owners or lessees of land in the Fire Closure Area, to the extent necessary to access their land.
3. Residents in the Fire Closure Area, to the extent necessary to access their residences.
4. Any Federal, State or local officer, or member of any organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.

This prohibition is in addition to the general prohibitions in 36 CFR Part 261, Subpart A.

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

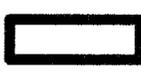
Executed in Colville, Washington this 9th day of October, 2015.


Rodney Smoldon
Forest Supervisor
Colville National Forest

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T. 37 N.

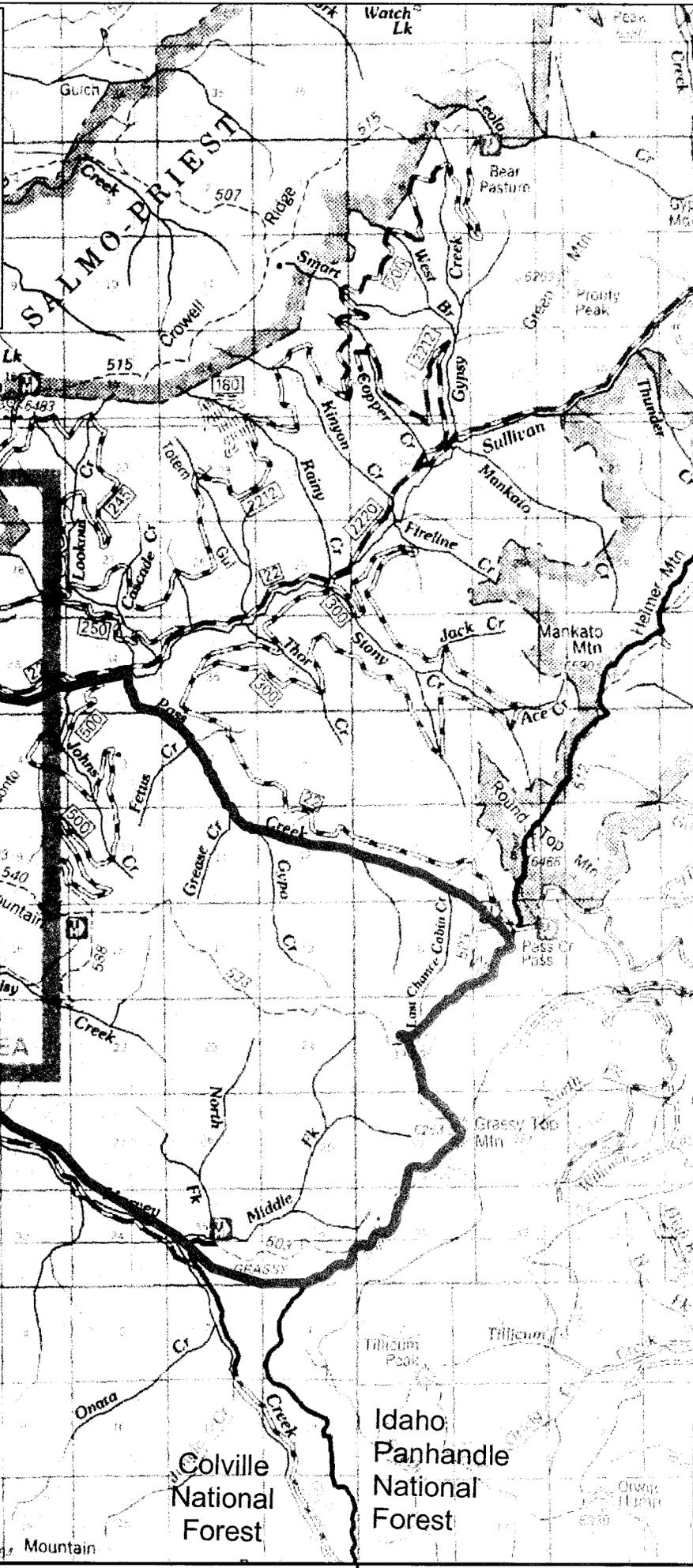
COLVILLE NATIONAL FOREST Sullivan Lake Ranger District

10/09/2015

 Grease Creek Fire
Closure Area Boundary



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Miles



R. 43 E.

R. 44 E.

R. 45 E.

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