

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 the National Forest System Lands, Roads, & Trails in the Vicinity of Berray Mountain extending into the Cabinet Wilderness from Hayes Ridge to Lentz Peak on the Cabinet Ranger District, Kootenai National Forest, are 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 **Cabinet Ranger District** of the Kootenai National Forest in Sanders County, Montana as depicted on the attached map as **Exhibit 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and become effective at 0001 a.m. Mountain Daylight Time on Saturday, October 24, 2015 and will remain in effect until rescinded.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 261.54 – National Forest System Roads. When provided by an order, the following are prohibited:

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

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: Township 27N Range 31W Section 6; and Township 27N Range 32W Sections 1-7; and Township 27N Range 33W Sections 1-4,10-12,1; and Township 28N Range 31W Section 31; and Township 28N Range 32W Sections 4-9 -15-36; and Township 28N Range 33W Sections 11-16 and 20-28, 33-36; Montana Principal Boise Meridian as shown in the attached maps and described below:

National Forest System Lands in the sections listed that lie east of US Hwy 56.

National Forest System Roads:

- South Fork of Bull River Road 410
- Goat Rocks Road 2289
- Berray Mountain Road 2272

National Forest System Trails:

- Berray Mountain Trail 967
- Berray Mountain West Trail 1028
- Dad Peak Trail 987
- Devils Club Trail 996

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.

Done this day: October 26, 2015 by:


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.

Exhibit A: Scotchman Peak Recommended Wilderness, Berray Mountain and Cabinet Mountain Wilderness Area Closure

