



Order No. 19-16-02
USDA Forest Service
Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit
South Shore Fuels Reduction and Healthy Forest Restoration Project

Pursuant to 16 USC 551 and 36 CFR 261.50(a), and to provide for public safety, the following act is prohibited within the Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit. This Order is effective from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., May 31, 2016 through August 15, 2016.

Going into or being upon Unit 1 of the South Shore Fuels Reduction and Healthy Forest Restoration Project, as described on Exhibit A and shown on the attached map.
36 CFR 261.53(e).

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. Any Federal, State or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.
3. Persons with a contract from the Forest Service authorizing work on the South Shore Fuels Reduction and Healthy Forest Restoration Project are exempt from the prohibition listed above to the extent authorized by the contract.

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

A violation of this prohibition is 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 six months, or both.
16 USC 551 and 18 USC 3559, 3571, and 3581.

Done at South Lake Tahoe, California, this 31st day of May, 2016.

Jeff Marsolais

Forest Supervisor, Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit



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Exhibit A

The boundary of Unit 1 begins at the intersection of Fallen Leaf Road and Forest Road 12N19, then continues 310 feet to the east along Forest Road 12N19, then continues 2,117 feet to the southeast at an angle of 159 degrees, then continues 823 feet to the southeast at an angle of 167 degrees, then continues 755 feet to the southwest at an angle of 248 degrees, then continues 361 feet to the southwest at an angle of 188 degrees, then continues 1796 feet to the southeast at an angle of 157 degrees, then continues 326 feet to the southwest at an angle of 265 degrees, then continues 5,257 feet to the north along Fallen Leaf Road back to the starting point.

Date: May 31, 2016

To: Project File

From: Jeff Marsolais, Forest Supervisor 

Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit

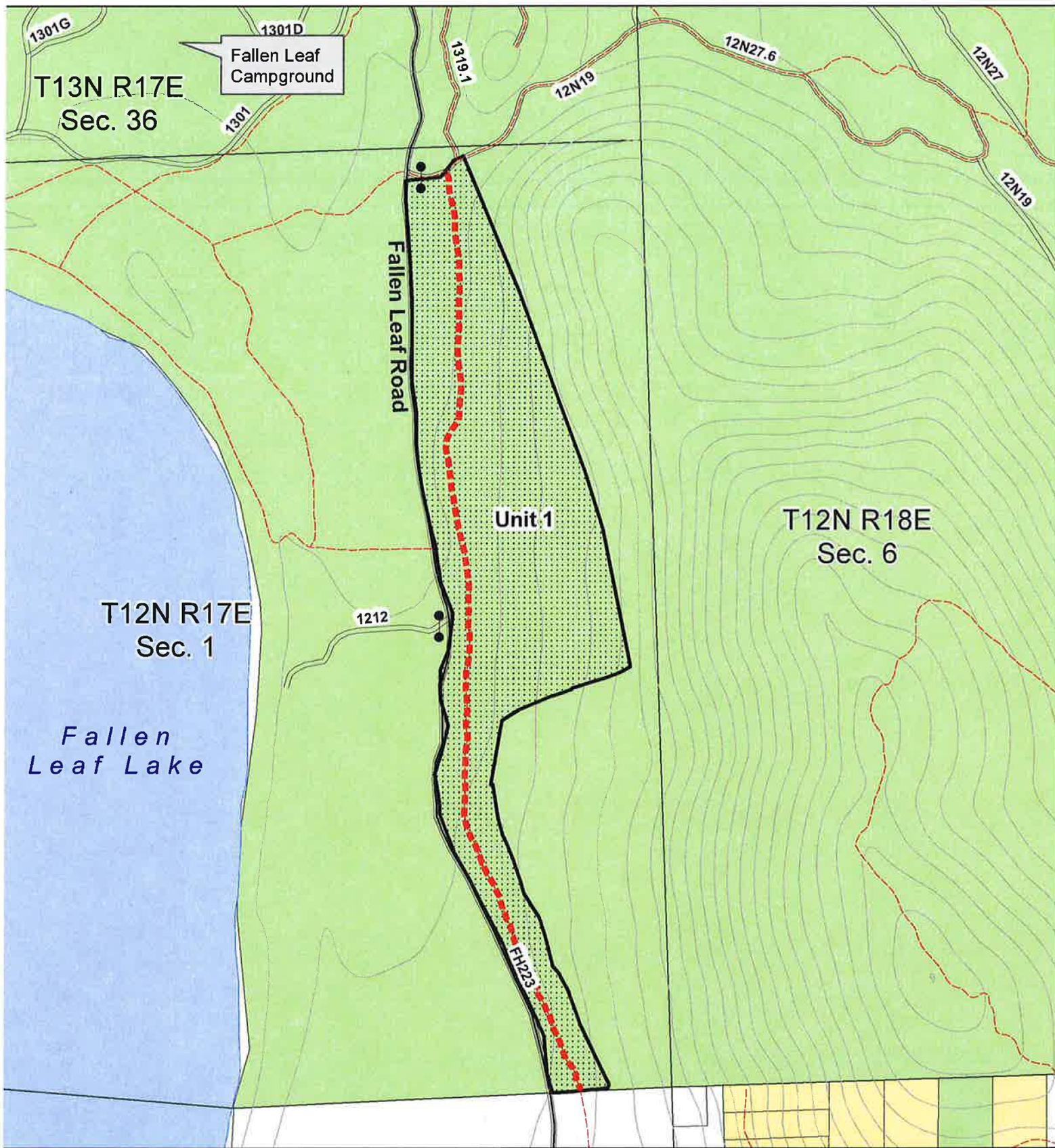
Re: Forest Closure for South Shore Fuels Reduction and Healthy Forest Restoration Project Unit 1

On January 10, 2012 a Record of Decision (ROD) was signed for implementation of forest thinning and fuels reduction activities within the South Shore Fuels Reduction and Healthy Forest Restoration Project. The ROD included consideration for temporarily closing portions of the project during implementation of fuels treatment and thinning activities in order to protect the public from falling trees and associated heavy equipment operations (as described in the EIS on pages 2-46, 3-335, and 3-339).

This closure is necessary to protect public health and safety from an active tree cutting and fuel removal operation. The closure will be in effect from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. during the identified timeframe of the forest order. The unit identified for temporary forest closure is adjacent to multiple neighborhoods and several highly-used recreation areas within the South Shore of Lake Tahoe. The closure will occur on weekends due to expected work during these times.

Overall, the implementation of mechanical activities in the project creates a hazard to the public from falling trees and limbs, and a lack of visibility near machinery and hauling equipment. The scope of work within this unit consists of ground-based mechanical equipment cutting and removing biomass and small sawlog material within the treatment unit.

I am temporarily closing National Forest System lands within the South Shore Fuels Reduction and Healthy Forest Restoration Project Unit 1. This closure is intended to provide for public safety and is based upon the analysis contained in the South Shore Fuels Reduction and Healthy Forest Restoration Project EIS.



**Project Area Closure
Unit 1
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Legend

- Closure Area
- 40 ft contour
- Ownership**
- US Forest Service
- State
- Other

Transportation

- NF System Road
- Highway
- Local Road
- Trail
- Closed Roads
- Closed Trails
- Gate

Water

- Waterbody
- Swamp/Marsh
- Perennial Stream
- Intermittent Stream
- Ephemeral Stream