



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
FOREST SERVICE
OKANOGAN-WENATCHEE NATIONAL FOREST
WINTHROP, WA

ORDER NO. 06-17-04-16-986

National Forest System Road

Pursuant to 16 USC § 551 and 36 CFR § 261.50 (a) and/or (b), the following acts are prohibited upon Forest Road 4225200 in the Methow Valley Ranger District within the Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest as described below and shown in Exhibit A. This Order will be effective beginning August 19, 2016 and ending when rescinded.

PROHIBITION:

1. **Using any type of vehicle prohibited by this order.** [36 CFR § 261.54 (a)]

This order prohibits all motorized equipment and motor vehicle use in the closure area year round (subject to exceptions described below). The closure area consists of National Forest System (NFS) Road No. 4225200 from its intersection with Road No. 4225 in T34N R22E Section 24 until the end of NFS Road No. 4225200 in T34N, R23EE, Section 6; see Exhibit A.

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 any organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.

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

Executed in Wenatchee, WA this 19th day of August 2016.

/s/ Michael R. Williams
MICHAEL R. WILLIAMS
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Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest

Violations of this prohibition is punishable as a Class B Misdemeanor, 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 USC § 551; 18 USC § 3559 and 18USC § 3571).

Assessment of Need and Enforcement Plan

Prohibition Objective: The closure of the roadways to motorized public access is necessary to ensure public health and safety. Road is damaged at the closure point and beyond make motorized vehicular access unsafe.

Public Notification Plan: Information associated with the closure will be made available to the public through media releases, partner organizations, and at Forest Service offices. The affected area will be posted with signs indicating the road is closed to public entry.

Enforcement Plan:

<u>Action</u>	<u>Responsible Official</u>	<u>Date</u>
Prepare proposed order	Methow Valley District Ranger	8/18/2016
Review proposed order (Law Enforcement)	Patrol Captain	8/18/2016
Approve proposed order	Forest Supervisor	8/19/2016
Post order in accordance with 36 CFR 261.51	District Staff Officer and Staff	8/19/2016
Prepare news release for local media describing the order and management objectives	Public Affairs Officer	8/19/2016
District staff will be responsible for the management and enforcement of this closure. Any enforcement actions will be within normal policies and procedures established by the LEI Patrol Captain for the zone.	District Staff	8/19/2016

Methow Valley Ranger District Volstead Road Closure Map

