WALLOWA-WHITMAN NATIONAL FOREST

Forest Order 2016-0616-Whitman-06

Fire Closure

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MALHEUR NATIONAL FOREST

Pursuant to 36 CFR, Sec. 261.50(a) and (b), the following acts are prohibited in the area described in this order within the Whitman Ranger District of the Wallowa-Whitman National Forest and portions of the Malheur National Forest from September 8, 2016 to November 30, 2016 unless rescinded or superseded.

1. It is prohibited for any person to be on any road, trail or in the area described in Appendix A of this order. **36 CFR 261.53(e).**

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

(1.) Persons with a permit specifically authorizing the prohibited act or omission.

(2.) Any Federal, State or local law enforcement officer, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.

These prohibitions are in addition to the general prohibitions in 36 CFR Part 261, Subpart A.

This order supersedes Order No. 2016-0616-Whitman-05 dated September 1, 2016.

Done at Baker City, Oregon, this _13_of September 2016

*/s/Thomas Montoya*	_____/s/Steven K. Beverlin __
THOMAS MONTOYA	STEVEN K. BEVERLIN
Forest Supervisor	Forest Supervisor
Wallowa-Whitman National Forest	Malheur National Forest

Violation of these prohibitions is punishable by a fine of not more than $5000 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. 3559 and 3571)

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Appendix A -Restricted Area Described:

Area closure description:

Beginning on South Fork Burnt River Ln. on private property at the fire edge,
thence proceeding northwesterly along fire perimeter to Road 1230,
thence proceeding northwesterly on Road 275 to the junction with dozer line at Road 618,
thence northwesterly on the dozer line to Road 700,
thence westerly on Road 700 & Road 810 to the County Line,
thence westerly on the County Line to Road 2652,
thence proceeding southerly on Road 2652 & fire perimeter to junction with Road 1370
thence southerly on Road 1370 to junction with Road 430,
thence southerly on Road 430 to junction with Road 1600,
thence easterly along north edge of road 16 to junction with Road 1672,
thence northeasterly on Road 1672 to the Forest Boundary between the Malheur & Wallowa-Whitman NF's,
thence northwest on the Forest Boundary between the two forests to forest trail 1964,
thence northerly on forest trail 1964 to the Amelia Creek Trailhead,
thence northerly along Road 6010 and fire perimeter to South Burnt River Ln,
thence easterly along South Burnt River Ln to point of beginning.

Roads Closed on the Malheur & Wallowa-Whitman National Forests Adjacent to the Area Closure	
FS Road 275 @ jct. FS Road 1230 to jct. FS road 700	44° 25.195'/118° 18.718' 44° 27.369'/118° 20.855'
FS Road 700 @ jct. FS Road 275 to jct. FS road 810	44° 27.369'/118° 20.855' 44° 27.067'/118° 22.154'
FS Road 810 @ jct. FS Road 700	44° 27.067'/118° 22.154'
FS Road 2652 @ jct. FS Road 2640 to jct. FS Road 1370	44° 27.522'/118° 24.127' 44° 19.750'/118° 22.628'
FS Road 1370 @ jct. FS Road 2652 to jct. FS Road 430	44° 19.750'/118° 22.628' 44° 18.831'/118° 22.247'
FS Road 430 @ jct. FS Road 1370 to jct. FS Road 1600	44° 18.831'/118° 22.247' 44° 15.581'/118° 20.971'

Statement of Need:

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This closure is necessary to provide forest visitors protection from the current hazardous conditions associated with the current fire situation on the Whitman Ranger District. The Rail Fire is actively burning currently.

Enforcement Procedures:
Enforcement will be conducted by FPOs, LEOs and SAs. Discretion will be used in the first couple of days after enacting the order and the preferred method of compliance will be a warning since the goal is to clear the area and protect the public.

Posting:
Posting shall be done by the forest staff or fire personnel assigned to the fire. Posting should be made at all major access point to the area. Posting will also be done at the Wallowa-Whitman National Forest Supervisor's office in Baker City, OR.

Enforcement Plan

Action	Responsible Official	Date
Prepare proposed order	Appropriate Staff with LEI input	9/08/2016
Review proposed order	Patrol Captain	9/08/2016
Approve proposed order	Forest Supervisor	
Post order in accordance with 36 CFR 261.51	District Staff Officer and Staff	
Prepare news release for local media describing the order and management objectives	District Ranger PAO, LEO	n/a

Enforcement Plan approved for implementation:

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Patrol Captain

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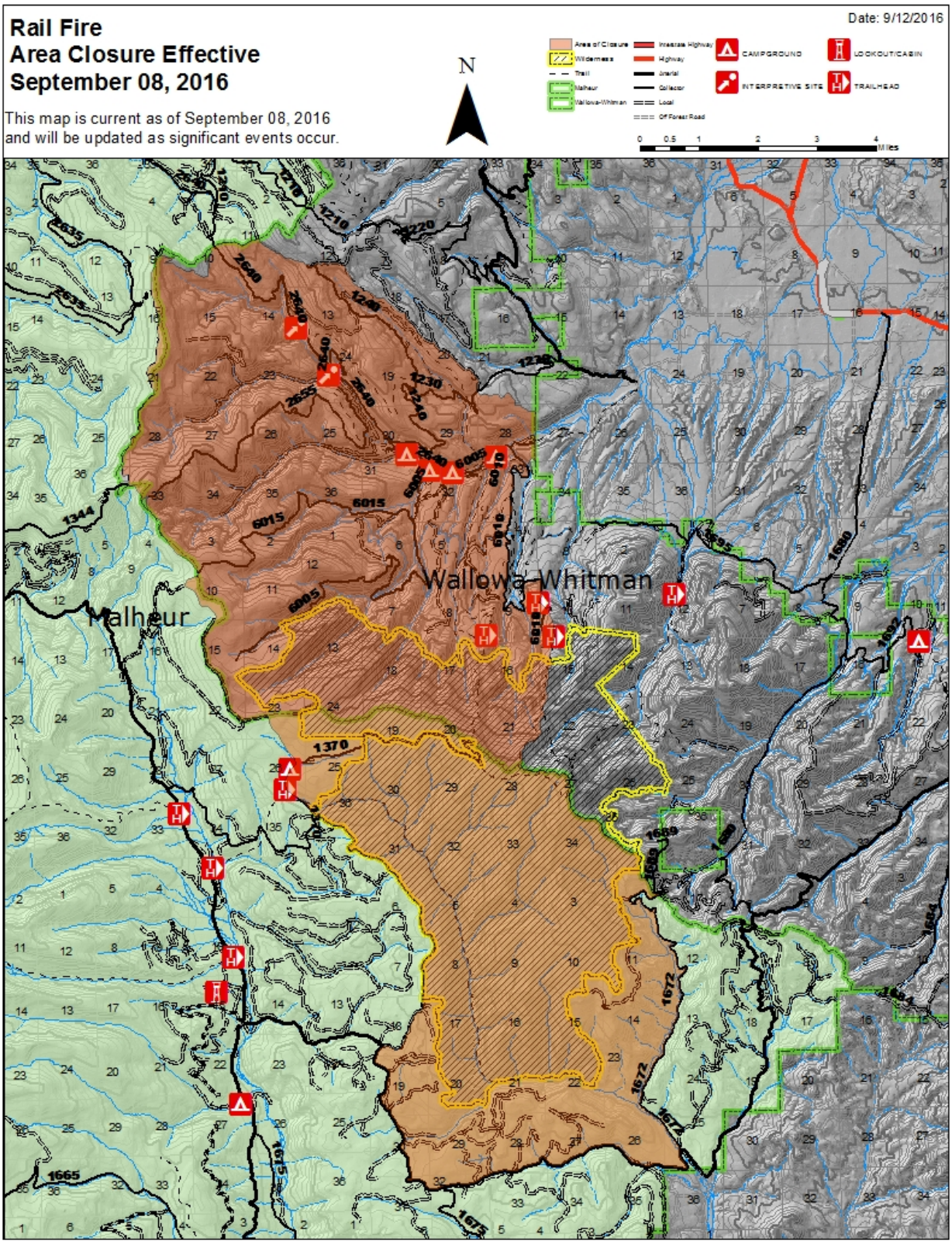
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