



ORDER NO. 09-21-16-13

**EMERGENCY CLOSURE ORDER OF THE FOREST SUPERVISOR
RESTRICTING OCCUPANCY AND USE, TO WIT:
MONONGAHELA NATIONAL FOREST
CHEAT-POTOMAC RANGER DISTRICT, WEST VIRGINIA**

Under the authority of the Act of Congress dated June 4, 1897, as amended (16 U.S.C. 551), and pursuant to the Secretary of Agriculture's Regulations set forth as 36 CFR Part 261, Subpart B (36 CFR 261.50(a) and (b)), the following acts and omissions are prohibited on the Monongahela National Forest located within Tucker County, West Virginia. Said areas being described and designated as shown on the map set forth as Exhibit A, which is attached hereto and made a part hereto:

Entering or being upon or in an area described in the Order as being closed pursuant to (36 CFR 261.53(e)) for reasons of public health and safety. The following areas are Ordered Closed until termination of this Emergency Order or 120 days from signature date, whichever comes first:

- The southwestern portion of the Dolly Sods Wilderness. Specifically an area bounded by the Wilderness boundary on the west; 100 feet east of Old Forest Road 80; 100 feet south of Blackbird Knob Trail (TR 511); 100 feet west of Red Creek Trail (TR 514); and 100 north of Laneville Road (Co 45/4.)
- Big Stonecoal Trail (TR 513) in its entirety
- Little Stonecoal Trail (TR 552) in its entirety
- Breathed Mountain Trail (TR 553) in its entirety
- Rocky Point Trail (TR 554) in its entirety
- Dunkenbarger Trail (TR 558) in its entirety

THESE RESTRICTIONS ARE NECESSARY FOR PUBLIC SAFETY AND TO PROTECT NATIONAL FOREST PROPERTY/RESOURCES. THEY ARE IN ADDITION TO THE GENERAL PROHIBITIONS SET FORTH IN 36 CFR PART 261. THIS ORDER WILL TERMINATE 120 DAYS FROM THE SIGNED DATE OF THE ORDER OR, PRIOR TO THE TERMINATION DATE WHEN WITHDRAWN BY A TERMINATION ORDER OF THE FOREST SUPERVISOR.

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

1. Persons with permit specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission (36 CFR 261.50(e)(1)); and,

2. Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of any organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty (36 CFR 261.50(e)(4).

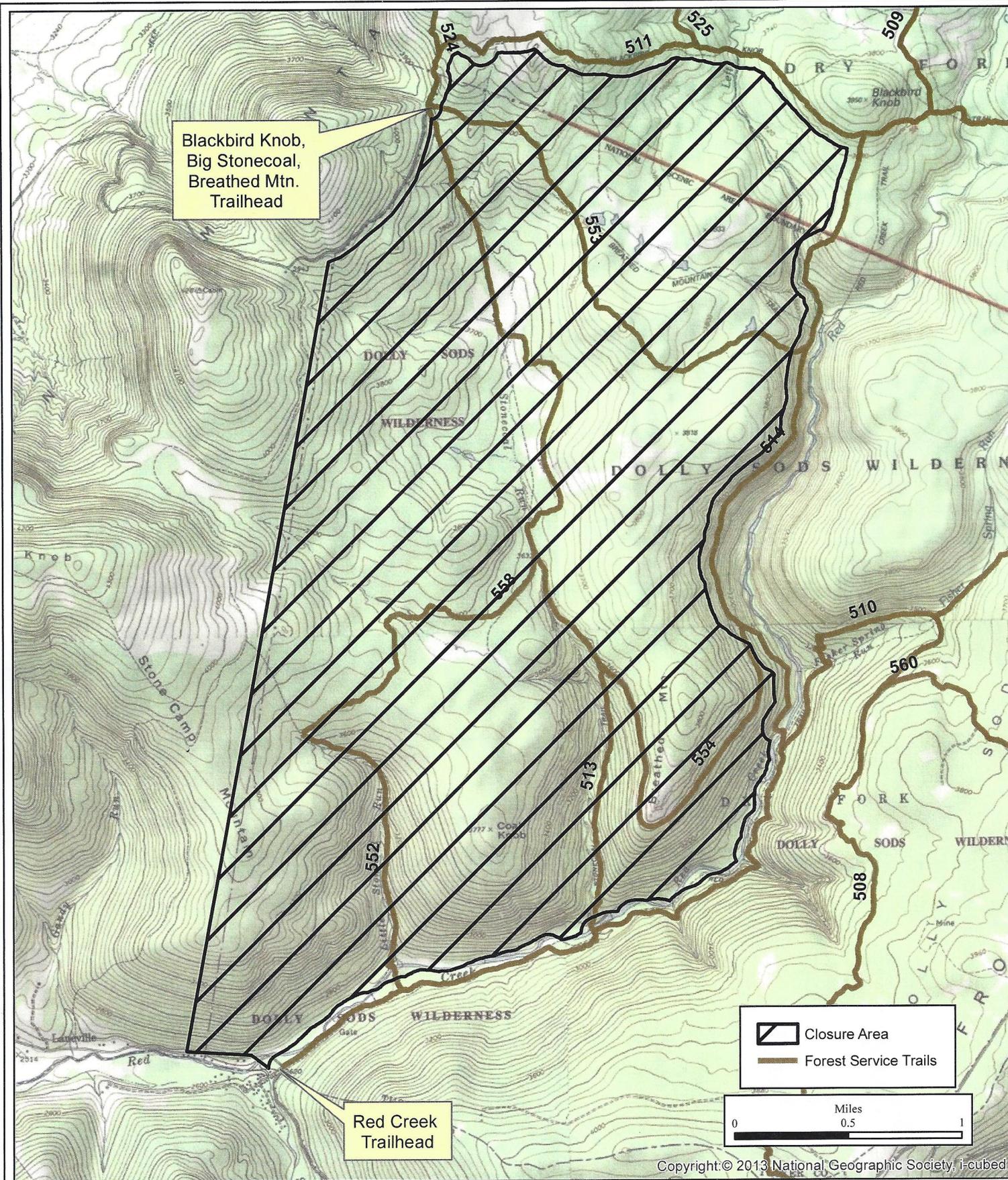
Violation of these prohibitions is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5000.00 for an individual or \$10,000.00 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than six (6) months, or both (16 U.S.C., 18 U.S.C. 3559 and 3571).

Dated this 23 day of September 2016, at Elkins, West Virginia.



Handwritten signature of Clyde N. Thompson in blue ink, with the initials 'C.N.T.' and 'FDR' written below it.

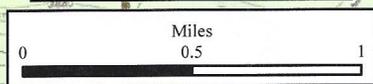
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Blackbird Knob,
Big Stonecoal,
Breathed Mtn.
Trailhead

Red Creek
Trailhead

 Closure Area
 Forest Service Trails



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UTM, Zone 17
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Red Creek Fire Closure Area Exhibit A, Order No. 09-21-16-13 Monongahela National Forest

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Blackwater Falls,
Blackbird Knob,
Hopeville
Quadrangles

