

Order No. F09-012-Lolo-D3

Lolo National Forest
Building 24, Fort Missoula
Missoula, MT 59804

Special Restrictions
Blue Mountain Recreation Area

Missoula Ranger District, Lolo National Forest
Missoula County, Montana

Pursuant to Title 36 CFR 261.50(a) and (b), the following are prohibited within the Blue Mountain Recreation Area of the Missoula Ranger District, Lolo National Forest. These restrictions are in addition to those enumerated in Subpart A, 261 Title 36 Code of Federal Regulations and become effective when signed, and will remain in effect until rescinded or revoked.

This Forest Supervisor's Order rescinds Order No. F07-076-Lolo-D3 dated December 12, 2007.

This order applies to the following areas:

- **Blue Mountain Recreation Area: West Zone.** The boundary between the East and West Zone is as follows. The line begins at the northwest corner of the southwest quarter of Section 33, T13N, R20W, PMM and runs south on the section line until joining Blue Mountain Rd. No. 365 at approximately milepost 4.2. The line then follows the Blue Mountain Road south and west until approximate milepost 8, the big switchback in Section 7, T12, R20W, PMM. The boundary then descends on a northeast ridgeline until meeting the section line between sections 7 and 8, and then follows the section line south to the section corner of Sections 7, 8, 17, and 18 T12N, R20W, PMM.
- **Blue Mountain Recreation Area: East Zone.** East of the West Zone boundary above extending to the National Forest boundary as shown on the attached Exhibit A.
- **Maclay Flat:** That portion of the National Forest between County Road #30 and the Bitterroot River. This includes National Forest System lands in section 34 and 35, T13N, R20W, and Section 3, T12N, R20W, PMM.
- These areas are designated on the Blue Mountain Recreation Area map attached as Exhibit A and hereby made a part of this order.

Prohibited Acts in the West Zone:

36 CFR 261.54 – National Forest System Roads

The following are prohibited on National Forest System roads in the West Zone:

1. Using any type of motorized vehicle or bicycle on Lyon Gulch Rd. No. 2101 (36 CFR 261.54(a)).

36 CFR 261.55 – National Forest System Trails

The following are prohibited on National Forest System trails in the West Zone:

1. Using any type of motorized vehicle or bicycle or snowmobile on a National Forest System trail except on trails designated for such a vehicle or bicycle (See Exhibit A for designations) (261.55(b)).
2. Using any type of motorized vehicle or bicycle on Trail No. 3.01 (36 CFR 261.55(b)).

36 CFR 261.56 – Use of Vehicles Off National Forest System Roads

The following are prohibited off National Forest System roads in the West Zone:

1. Using any type of motorized vehicle or bicycle for cross country travel (36 CFR 261.56).

36 CFR 261.58 – Occupancy and Use

The following are prohibited in the West Zone:

1. Discharging a firearm, air rifle or gas gun, (36CFR 261.58(m)) except in the pursuit of game birds and other game animals during the legal hunting season.

Prohibited Acts in East Zone:

36 CFR 261.52 – Fire

The following are prohibited:

1. Building, maintaining, attending or using a fire, campfire, or stove fire (36 CFR 261.52(a)), except for fires inside the fire rings provided by the Forest Service along the first mile of Rd. No. 365.

36 CFR 261.53 – Special Closures

1. The East Zone is closed between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. for the protection of public health, safety and property. (Title 36 CFR 261.53 (e) and (f)).

36 CFR 261.54 – National Forest System Roads

The following are prohibited on National Forest System roads in the East Zone:

1. Using any type of motorized vehicle or a bicycle on any road north of Rd. #365 including Lyon Gulch Rd. No. 2101(36 CFR 261.54(a)).

36 CFR 261.55 – National Forest System Trails

The following are prohibited on National Forest System trails in the East Zone:

1. Using any type of motorized vehicle or bicycle or snowmobile on a National Forest System trail except on trails designated for such a vehicle or bicycle (See Exhibit A for designations) (261.55(b)).
2. Using any type of motorized vehicle or a bicycle on any trail north of Rd. 365, including Tr. Numbers: 3.01, 3.02, 3.18, 3.19, 4.01 (36 CFR 261.55(b)).

36 CFR 261.56 – Use of Vehicles Off National Forest System Roads

The following are prohibited off National Forest System roads in the East Zone:

1. Using any type of motorized vehicle or bicycle for cross country travel (36 CFR 261.56).

36 CFR 261.58 – Occupancy and Use

The following are prohibited in the East Zone:

1. Camping (36 CFR 261.58(e)).
2. Parking or leaving a vehicle within the Blue Mountain Horse Trailhead in violation of posted instructions (36 CFR 261.58(g)).
3. Discharging a firearm, air rifle or gas gun (36 CFR 261.58(m)).

Prohibited Acts on Maclay Flat:

36 CFR 261.52 – Fire

The following are prohibited on National Forest System lands at Maclay Flat:

1. Building, maintaining, attending or using a fire, campfire, or stove fire (36 CFR 261.52(a)).

36 CFR 261.53 – Special Closures

1. Maclay Flats is closed between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. for the protection of public health, safety and property. (Title 36 CFR 261.53 (e) and (f)).

36 CFR 261.55 – National Forest System Trails

The following are prohibited on National Forest System trails at Maclay Flat:

1. Using any type of motorized vehicle or a bicycle or snowmobile (36 CFR 261.55(b)).
2. Using a saddle, pack or draft animal (36 CFR 261.55(c)).

36 CFR 261.56 – Use of Vehicles Off National Forest System Roads

The following are prohibited off National Forest System roads at Maclay Flat:

1. Using any type of motorized vehicle or bicycle for cross country travel (36 CFR 261.56).

36 CFR 261.58 – Occupancy and Use

The following are prohibited at Maclay Flat:

1. Camping (36 CFR 261.58(e)).
2. Discharging a firearm, air rifle or gas gun (36 CFR 261.58(m)).
3. Possessing, transporting or allowing any dog or bringing in or possessing a dog, other than a seeing eye dog, unless it is crated, caged, or upon a leash not longer than six feet, or otherwise under physical restrictive control (36 CFR 261.16(j) and/or 36 CFR 261.58(s))

Exemptions:

1. Persons with a permit, specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission (36 CFR 261.50(e)(1)).
2. Any federal, state, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty (36 CFR 261.50(e)(4)).

/s/ Susan Colyer (for)

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06/17/2009

Date

Penalty:

Violations of these restrictions are punishable by a fine of up to \$5000 or imprisonment for up to 6 months, or both (16 USC 551).

Notification:

A copy of this order shall be posted as prescribed under 36 CFR 261.51.