

#### UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

## Forest Service Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest Wenatchee, WA

# ORDER NO: 06-17-20-23-19 PUBLIC USE RESTRICTION STAGE 1

Pursuant to **16 USC 551, 36 CFR** § **261.50(a) and (b)**, the following acts are prohibited in all National Forest System areas, National Forest System roads and trails within the Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest, in the state of Washington. This Order This Order supersedes order 06-17-20-23-12, signed on August 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023, by Kristin Bail and will become effective September 14th, 2023, through October 14th, 2023, unless rescinded earlier.

#### **Acts Prohibited Under This Order:**

- 1. Building, maintaining, attending, or using a fire, campfire or stove fire, including a charcoal, and other open flames, except within campfire rings established by the Forest Service at the following posted, developed and designated campgrounds, or other Organizational Camps, Recreation Residences, and Resorts under Special Use Permits shown on Exhibit A. 36 CFR § 261.52(a). However, pressurized or bottled liquid fuel stoves, lanterns, or heating devices are permitted, provided such devices are used in areas that are barren or cleared of all overhead and surrounding flammable material within 3 feet of the device.
- 2. Smoking, except within an enclosed vehicle or building, a designated campground, or while stopped in an area at least three feet in diameter that is barren or cleared of all flammable material. *36 CFR* § *261.52(d)*.
- 3. Possessing, discharging or using any kind of firework or other pyrotechnic device. *36 CFR* § *261.52(f)*.
- 4. Using an explosive. 36 CFR § 261.52(b).
- 5. Possessing or using a motor vehicle off National Forest System Roads and Trails, except minimum travel over bare mineral soil, to access dispersed camping. *36 CFR § 261.56*.
- 6. Violating any state law concerning burning, fires, or which is for the purpose of preventing or restricting the spread of fire.  $36 \ CFR \ § 261.52(k)$ .

### Persons, activities, or other entities Exempted from This Order:

Pursuant to 36 CFR § 261.50(e), the following are exempt from this Order:

- 1. Persons with Forest Service Permit No. FS-7700-48 (Permit for Use of Roads, Trails, or Areas Restricted by Regulation Order), specifically exempting them from this Order.
- 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. Pressurized or bottled liquid fuel stoves, lanterns, or heating devices are permitted, provided such devices are used in areas that are barren or cleared of all overhead and surrounding flammable material within 3 feet of the device.
- 4. Persons maintaining a fire within permitted recreational residence equipped with a chimney ember screen.
- 5. Campfires contained inside established fire rings within campgrounds listed on Exhibit A.
- 6. Campfires are permitted in Alpine Lakes, Glacier Peak, Henry M. Jackson, Pasayten, Lake Chelan-Sawtooth, Goat Rocks, Norse Peak, and William O. Douglas Wilderness Areas except in areas of Alpine Lakes Wilderness, Henry M. Jackson Wilderness, William O. Douglas Wilderness, and Goat Rocks Wilderness Areas, as described in Exhibit B.

#### **Penalties for Violations:**

Violation of these prohibitions 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 6 months, or both. 16 USC \$551 and 18 USC §\$ 3559, 3571, and 3581.

These restrictions are in addition to those prohibitions enumerated in Subpart 'A' of 36 CFR § 261 and any other special restrictions pertaining to the described lands.

This Order is necessary to protect the public health and safety due to elevated fire danger, weather conditions, and forest health issues, which when added to the potential depletion of fire suppression resources and specific public, private property and natural resource issues present in these enumerated areas, present a significant community safety hazard in the event of a fire.

Executed at Wenatchee, WA, this 12th day of September, 2023.

KRISTIN M. BAIL
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