



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
FOREST SERVICE  
KOOTENAI NATIONAL FOREST  
OCCUPANCY AND USE RESTRICTIONS

**PROHIBITIONS:**

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 551 and 36 C.F.R. § 261.50(a) and (b), the following acts are prohibited in the areas described in this Order in the attached List (“Restricted Areas”), hereby incorporated into this Order as Exhibit A, within the Kootenai National Forest

1. Entering or using a developed recreation site and or developed campground or any portion thereof.  
**36 C.F.R. § 261.58(b)**

**DEFINITIONS**

“*Developed recreation site*” means an area which has been improved or developed for recreation, as defined in 36 C.F.R. § 261.2.

**EXEMPTIONS:**

Pursuant to 36 C.F.R. § 261.50(e), the following persons are exempt from this Order:

1. Persons with a written Forest Service authorization specifically exempting them from the effect of 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.

**PURPOSE:**

The purpose of this Order, which reflects federal and state guidance to limit the spread of COVID-19, is to protect public health and safety.

**IMPLEMENTATION:**

1. This Order will be effective on 03-27-20 and shall remain in effect until June 30, 2020, or until rescinded, whichever event occurs first.
2. Any violation of this prohibition is punishable as a Class B misdemeanor by a fine of not more than \$5,000 for individuals and \$10,000 for organizations, or by imprisonment for not more than six (6) months, or both. (*see* 16 U.S.C. § 551, 18 U.S.C. § 3571(b)(6), 18 U.S.C. § 3581 (b)(7)).

3. Maps identifying the Restricted Areas are attached and made a part of this Order.
4. This Order supersedes, rescinds, and replaces any previous orders prohibiting the same acts covered by this Order.
5. Further information regarding this Order may be obtained from the Kootenai National Forest Supervisor Office located in Hamilton, Montana, telephone number: 406-293-6211, [SM.FS.knfcontactus@usda.gov](mailto:SM.FS.knfcontactus@usda.gov) and at the following websites:

USDA Kootenai National Forest website: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/kootenai>

MONTANA Department of Health and Human Services: <https://dphhs.mt.gov/>  
Joint Information Center 1-888-333-0461

Done at Libby, Montana this 27<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2020.

  
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Northern Region

**EXHIBIT A**  
**Restricted Areas**

**Developed recreation sites and campgrounds**

**Kootenai National Forest**

**Rexford/Fortine Ranger District**

Phone 406-296-2536

- Rexford Bench Campground
- Kamloops Campground
- Peck Gulch Campground and boat launch
- Rocky Gorge Campground and boat launch
- North Dickey Lake Campground
- Tobacco River Fishing Access
- Camp 32 Campground
- Big Therriault Campground
- Little Therriault Campground

**Libby Ranger District**

Phone 406-293-7773

- Loon Lake Campground
- McGillivray Campground
- Howard Lake Campground
- Lake Creek Campground
- Sylvan Lake Campground
- Timberlane Campground
- Pleasant Valley Campground
- McGregor Lake Complex (campground, group site, beach, boat launch, day use)
- Fairview Rental Cabin

**Three Rivers Ranger District**

Phone 406-295-4693

- Caribou Campground
- Pete Creek Campground
- Whitetail Campground and Yurt
- Red Top Campground
- Yaak Falls Campground
- Kilbrennan Lake Campground
- Yaak River Campground
- Spar Lake Campground
- Dorr Skeels Campground
- Bad Medicine Campground
- Upper Ford Rental Cabin

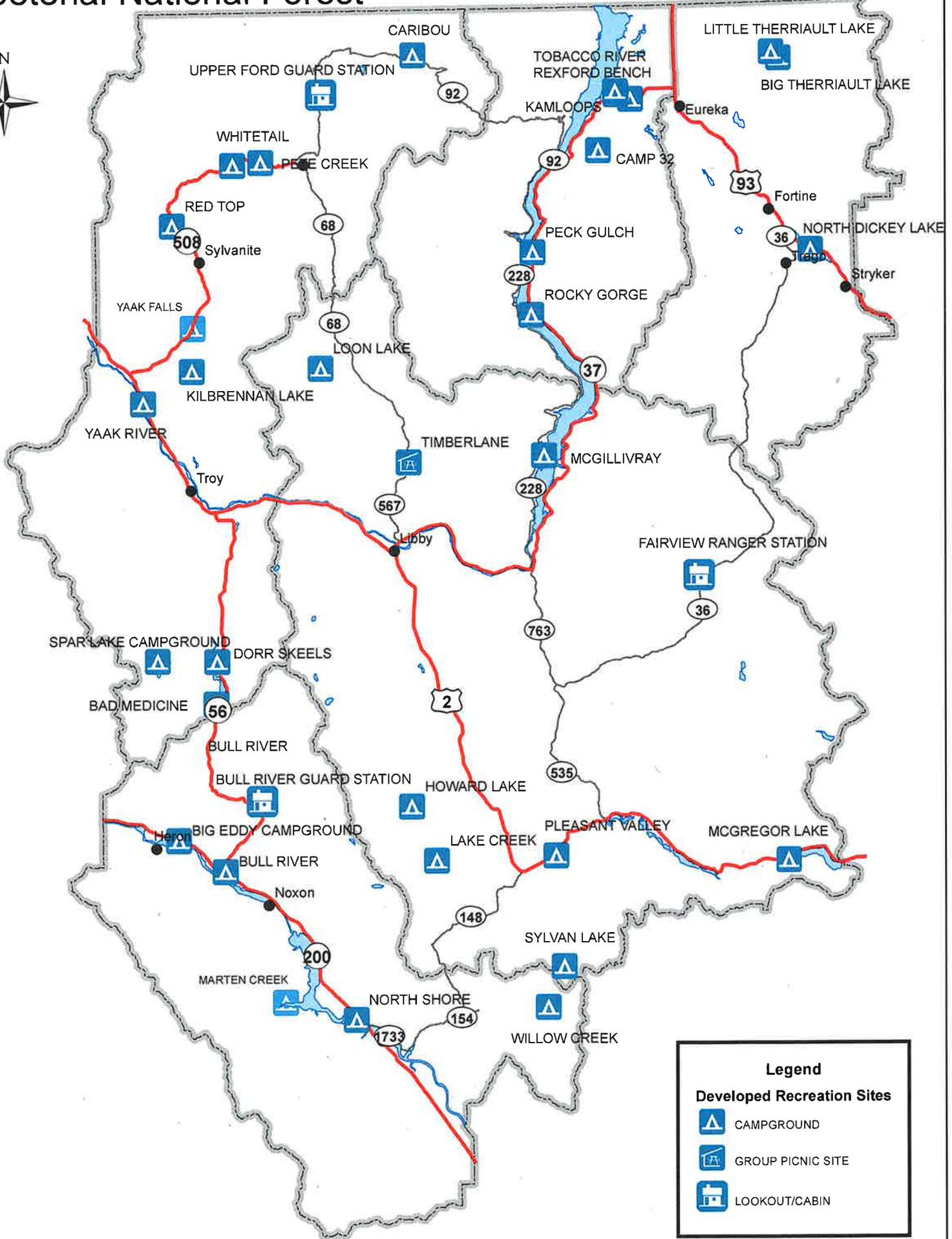
**Cabinet Ranger District**

Phone 406-827-3533

- Big Eddy Campground
- Bull River Campground
- Marten Creek Campground
- North Shore Campground
- Willow Creek Campground
- Bull River Rental Cabin

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**Legend**

**Developed Recreation Sites**

-  CAMPGROUND
-  GROUP PICNIC SITE
-  LOOKOUT/CABIN