EMERGENCY CLOSURE ORDER OF THE FOREST SUPERVISOR
RESTRICTING OCCUPANCY AND USE, TO WIT:
CHEQUAMEGON-NICOLET NATIONAL FOREST

Pursuant to the provisions of 16 U.S.C. § 551, and 36 C.F.R. §§ 261.50 (a) and (b), the following acts are prohibited in the Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest, Wisconsin, due to hazards associated with the COVID-19 virus.

The following are prohibited:

1. Entering or being upon or in an area described in Attachment A of this order, and as shown on the map attached, as closed for reasons of public health and safety. (36 CFR 261.53(e))

2. Camping on the Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest is prohibited pursuant to 36 CFR 261.58(e).

3. Using any area within the Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest by a group larger than 10 (10) people at one time. Groups larger than 10 people must split into smaller groups and recreate at least 200 yards apart. (36 CFR 261.58 (f))

The prohibitions of this order shall remain in effect until terminated by 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 30th day of April 2020, at Rhinelander, Wisconsin.

Paul Strong
Forest Supervisor
CHEQUAMEGON-NICOLET NATIONAL FOREST
Rhinelander, Wisconsin

Order No. 09-13-20-03

FOREST ORDER

ATTACHMENT A – Updated May 15, 2020:

Entering or being upon or in an area listed below is prohibited until further notice:

- All Developed Campgrounds
- All Picnic Areas and Beaches
- Mountain Fire Tower
- Lost Lake Cabins, Forest Lodge and associated areas
- All Restroom Facilities
- Boat Landings (these landings are located within a closed campground and will remain closed)
  - Birch Grove Boat Landings
  - Black Lake Boat Landing
  - Chippewa Boat Landing
  - Emily Lake Boat Landing
  - Moose Lake Boat Landing
  - Namakagon Boat Landing
  - Perch Lake Boat Landing
  - Picnic Point Boat Landing
  - Spearhead Point Boat Landing
  - Two Lakes Boat Landing (Bass Lake Portion)
  - Wanoka Boat Landing
In alignment with current federal, state, and local guidance for social distancing and to ensure health safety of its employees, visitors and volunteers, all recreation sites on the Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest are closed and no camping or campfires will be allowed until further notice.