Order Number: 04-03-328

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOREST SERVICE BRIDGER-TETON NATIONAL FOREST

OCCUPANCY AND USE

PROHIBITIONS:

Pursuant to Title 36 CFR 261.50 (a) the following acts are prohibited on National Forest System lands described in this Order, all within the Bridger -Teton National Forest, until further notice.

- 1. Camping within the same five-mile radius for more than fourteen (14) days in any thirty (30) consecutive day period. 36 CFR 261.58(a).
- 2. Returning to camp in any part of the five-mile radius within 30 days after having camped in the same location or any number of locations within the same 5-mile radius for 14 days in a 30-day period. 36 CFR 261.58(a)

EXEMPTIONS:

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

- 1. Persons with a permit 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.
- 3. Federal or State administrative personnel in the performance of an official duty.

AREA DESCRIBED:

All National Forest System Lands, including developed recreation sites and undeveloped areas located within or administered by the Bridger-Teton National Forest all within Wyoming.

PURPOSE:

This limit of stay restriction is necessary to reduce displacement of other Forest visitors desiring to utilize a particular area, by reducing the opportunity for one visitor or group of visitors from monopolizing a campsite for long periods of time (in excess of 14 days). It also reduces the environmental impacts associated with long term established camps, and to help reduce the incidents related to unauthorized residential camping.

DEFINITIONS:

Camping – means the temporary use of National Forest System lands for the purpose of overnight occupancy without a permanently-fixed structure.

Note: If a person or group of people camp at one campsite, in any undeveloped area or developed campground for 14 days in a 30 consecutive day period, they must move all equipment associated with that campsite 5 radius miles and may not relocate back within that radius of the original camp for 30 days. The 30-day period begins with the first day of setting up of camping equipment with the intent of camping at that location. Moving to another campsite within the minimum specified distance does not re-start the 30-day period.

IMPLEMENTATION:

- 1. This Order will be in effect when signed and shall remain in effect until July 1st, 2030.
- 2. Any violation of this prohibition is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000.00 for an individual or \$10,000.00 for an organization, and/or imprisonment for not more than six (6) months. [Title 16 USC 551, Title 18 USC 3571(b) (6), Title 18 USC 3581 (b) (7)].
- 4. This Order supersedes any previous orders prohibiting the same acts covered by this Order in the above-described area.

Done at Jackson, Wyoming this $\frac{1}{2}$ day of July 2020.

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