

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
FOREST SERVICE

Mt Hood National Forest

FOREST ORDER NO. 06-06-00-20-04

Mt Hood National Forest Campfire Prohibition

Pursuant to 16 USC § 551 and 36 CFR 261.50 (a) and (b), and to provide for public safety, the following acts are prohibited lands under my jurisdiction within the Mt Hood National Forest. This temporary prohibition will become effective August 4, 2020 and will remain in effect until September 30th, 2020.

PROHIBITIONS:

- 1. Building, maintaining, attending, or using a fire, campfire or stove fire, including a charcoal fire or pellet fire. This includes all general forest areas and developed campgrounds. 36 CFR 261.52(a)**
 - Portable cooking stoves and lanterns using liquefied or bottled fuel are permissible.*
- 2. Violating any state law concerning burning, fires, or which is for the purpose of preventing or restricting the spread of fires. 36 CFR 261.52 (k)**

CLOSURE AREA DESCRIPTION:

All National Forest Lands on the Mount Hood National Forest.

EXEMPTIONS:

Pursuant to 36 CFR 261.50 (e) the following persons or activities are exempt from these prohibitions:

1. Persons with a permit, waiver or contract specifically authorizing the prohibited act or omission.
2. Any Federal, State or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.

These prohibitions are in addition to the general prohibitions in 36 CFR Part 261, Subpart A.

PURPOSE:

To reduce the likelihood of escaped fires that would put additional strain on local emergency response services as well as increase the risk of COVID-19 exposure for employees who cannot realistically maintain social distancing during firefighting operations.

Executed in Sandy, Oregon this 4th day of August 2020.

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Violations of these prohibitions are 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 U.S.C.551, and 18 U.S.C. 3559 and 3571)