



FIRE AREA EMERGENCY CLOSURE
FREMONT-WINEMA NATIONAL FOREST
LAKEVIEW RANGER DISTRICT
Order Number 06-02-02-20-02



Pursuant to Title 36, Code of Federal Regulations §261.50 (a) and (b), the following act is prohibited on National Forest System lands and roads within the following described area on the Lakeview Ranger District, Fremont-Winema National Forest, as described in attached Exhibit A.

This order supersedes Order Number 06-02-02-20-01 and this prohibition will become effective August 27 and will remain in effect until December 1, 2020, unless rescinded earlier.

PROHIBITION:

- (1) **Going onto or being within an area closed for public health and safety. 36 CFR § 261.53 (e)**
- (2) **Being upon a closed road. 36 CFR § 261.54 (e)**

The area described below will be closed to public access/entry due to hazards and hazardous conditions created as a result of the Crane Fire.

AFFECTED AREA / CLOSURE AREA: All legal descriptions are located within the Willamette Meridian and described as follows:

Point of Beginning –

Starting approximately two miles southeasterly of Rogger Meadow in T. 40 S., R. 21 E., WM., section 3 at the western edge of the open National Forest System road (NFSR) 3915, follow NFSR 3915 approximately three miles to its junction with NFSR 3915-013 in T. 40 S., R. 21 E., WM., section 14. Follow the closed NFSR 3915-013 southwesterly approximately one mile to its junction with NFSR 3915-014 in T. 40 S., R. 21 E., WM., section 15. Track on the closed NFSR 3915-014 for approximately two miles to where it reaches Willow Creek near the section lines of 22 and 23 in T. 40 S., R. 21 E., WM. Follow Willow Creek southwesterly to the Crane Mountain National Recreation Trail #161 (NRT) in section 21, T. 40 S., R. 21 E., WM. Heading north approximately ¼ mile, the order boundary follows the closed NRT to the SE1/4 of T. 40 S., R. 21 E., WM., section 21. Head east through the S1/2 of sections 21 and 20 in T. 40 S., R. 21 E., WM to the National Forest Boundary (NFB) at the east line of section 19, T. 40 S., R. 21 E., WM. Turning north in T. 40 S., R. 21 E., WM the closure boundary follows the east lines of sections 18 and 7 until its junction with closed NFSR 3900-016 (also referred to as the Crane Creek Road). Following the closed NFSR 3900-016 through sections 8, 5, 9, 4 in T. 40 S., R. 21 E., WM and section 32 in T. 39 S., R. 21 E., WM to its junction with the closed NFSR 3915-281. Heading east along the closed NFSR 3915-281 through section 32 in T. 39 S., R. 21 E., WM., and sections 4 and 3 in T. 40 S., R. 21 E., WM., to its junction with NFSR 3915 at the point of beginning.

The National Forest System roads that delineate this area closure boundary are closed to the public. **Refer to attached map (Exhibit A).**

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

- (1) Persons with a permit specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or

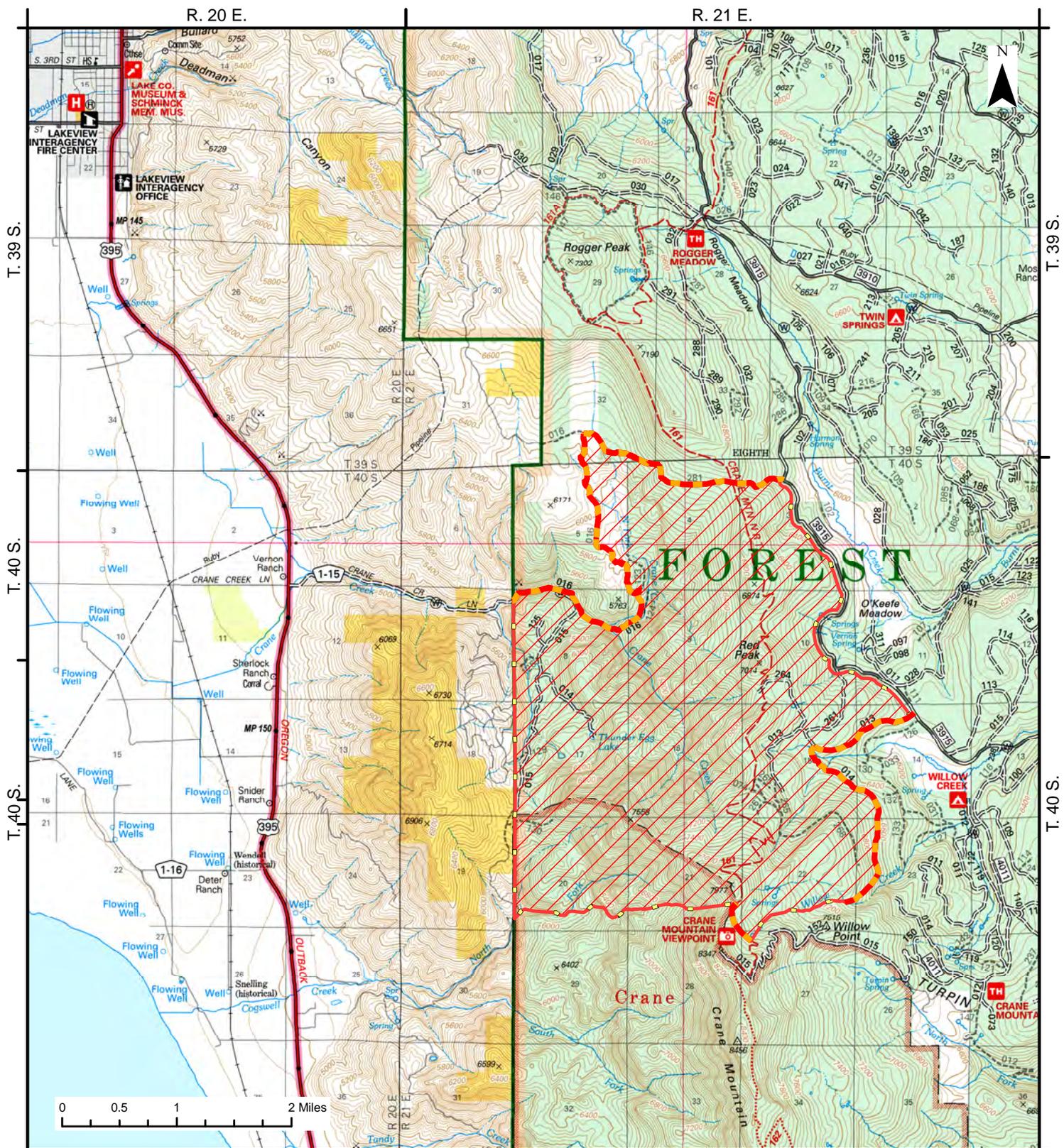
- Omission. “*Person*” means natural person, corporation, company, partnership, trust, firm, or association of persons. “*Permit*” means authorization in writing by a Forest Officer. “*Forest Officer*” means an employee of the Forest Service.
- (2) Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.
 - (3) Owners or lessees of land in the affected area.

This restriction is in addition to those prohibitions enumerated in Subpart A of 36 C.F.R. §261 and any other special restrictions pertaining to the described lands.

Done in Lakeview, Oregon at _____ *a.m./p.m.*, on this 26th day of *August, 2020*.

Barry L. Imler, Forest Supervisor
Fremont-Winema National Forest

Violations of this prohibition are punishable by a fine of not more than \$5000 for an individual or \$10,000 for an organization, or imprisonment of not more than 6 months or both.



Crane Fire Closure Notice Exhibit A
06-02-02-20-02
Fremont-Winema National Forest
08-26-2020

- Legend**
-  National Forest Land
 -  Area Closure
 -  Road Closure





File Code: 1950
Route To:

Date: August 26, 2020

Subject: Documentation of Civil Rights Impact Analysis (CRIA) and National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Compliance for Title 36 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Subpart A and B Prohibition – National Forest Area and Road Closure #06-02-02-20-02

To: Project File

Proposed Action: Issuing a Title 36 CFR Subpart A and B Order (Order) prohibiting entry in a closed area or roads on the Lakeview Ranger District associated with the Crane Fire suppression activities from 12:01 a.m. August 27, 2020 through December 1, 2020 or until the order can be rescinded. Similar emergency fire area closures, including the Watson Creek Fire on the Paisley Ranger District in 2018, did not cause significant long-term impacts.

Issuing an Order to close the area referenced in Exhibit A is necessary for public and firefighter safety during continued suppression of the Crane Fire. There was an initial emergency closure order (06-02-02-20-01) for the Crane Fire as it was burning uncontrolled. Through the work of firefighters and a Type 2 Incident Management Team, the fire is approaching containment and control, but there is still active fire burning the area and risks to public and firefighter safety. This closure is needed to mitigate risks associated with ongoing suppression and repair activities. With hunting season starting, this closure also scales the area closer to the fire perimeter, restoring public access to several popular recreation sites nearby.

The Forest Supervisor is responsible for certifying whether or not a CRIA must be conducted prior to making the decision on the proposed action per Forest Service Handbook (FSH) 1709.11, sec. 30.6 and ensuring that appropriate documentation is prepared for a determination that there will be no potential major civil rights or social impacts related to the proposed action, and therefore documenting a CRIA and statement of findings are not required.

Civil rights impacts are defined as “alterations in people’s civil rights status that occur in conjunction with a new policy, program, project; are not attributable to any external factors; and are perceived by those affected as socially significant” (FSH 1709.11, sec. 30.5(12)).

No potential major civil rights or social impacts related to the proposed action (issuing Title 36 CFR Subpart B prohibition in an area designated by an Order) were identified during scoping. Similar actions on previous Orders on NFSL did not cause impacts. Civil Rights Impact Analysis (CRIA) preparer identified the following variables to permit the measurement of any potential impacts:

- Customs and traditions on the NFSL; and
- Scope and intensity of support and/or opposition to the proposed actions.

Scoping occurred with the Lakeview Ranger District Staff, the Incident Command Team, the District Duty Officer and the Agency Administrator assigned to the Crane Fire.

I have concluded that this decision may be categorically excluded from documentation in an Environmental Impact Statement or Environmental Assessment under the NEPA. This action falls within the category identified in Title 36 CFR § 220.6(d)(1) – prohibitions to provide short-term resource protection or to protect public health and safety – and does not require documentation in a decision memo, decision notice, or record of decision. I have determined that there are no extraordinary circumstances associated with this temporary closure. Implementation of the decision may begin immediately.

BARRY L. IMLER
Forest Supervisor

