



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
FOREST SERVICE  
COLVILLE NATIONAL FOREST  
Colville, WA

**ORDER NO. 06-21-00-20-08**  
**“STAGE 1” FIRE RESTRICTIONS**

Pursuant to 16 USC § 551 and 36 CFR § 261.50(a) the following acts are prohibited upon National Forest Lands within the Colville National Forest. This Order will be effective beginning September 11, 2020, and ending October 15, 2020, unless terminated earlier.

**PROHIBITIONS:**

**1. Building, maintaining, attending or using a fire, campfire, or stove fire, including briquette fires, and torches. [36 CFR § 261.52 (a)]**

The following exceptions apply:

- Pressurized or bottled liquid fuel stoves, lanterns, or heating devices are permitted, provided such devices are used in areas that are barren or cleared of all overhead and surrounding flammable material within 3 feet of the device.
- Campfires are permitted when contained within provided metal rings at the designated developed recreations sites listed in Exhibit A.

**CLOSURE AREA DESCRIPTION:**

This prohibition applies to all National Forest System Lands within the Colville National Forest.

**EXEMPTIONS:**

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

1. Persons with a Forest Service permit specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission.
2. Persons maintaining a fire within a permitted recreational residence equipped with a chimney ember screen.
3. Any federal, state, or local officer or member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.

This prohibition is in addition to the general prohibitions in 36 C.F.R. Part 261, Subpart A.

Executed in Colville, WA this 11<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2020.

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Violations of this prohibition is punishable as a Class B Misdemeanor, 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 USC § 551; 18 USC § 3559 and 18USC § 3571).

**Assessment of Need and Enforcement Plan**

**Prohibition Objective:** To reduce the potential of escaped campfires within National Forest lands on the Colville NF to ensure public health and safety and resource protection.

**Public Notification Plan:** Information associated with the closure will be made available to the public through media releases, partner organizations, and at Forest Service offices. The affected area will be posted with signs indicating campfire restrictions.

**Enforcement Plan:** This order will be enforceable by Law Enforcement Officers and Forest Protection Officers. Education will be emphasized during initial implementation of this order. Officers will exercise normal discretion in resolving violations. Evening patrols will be conducted, especially on weekends.

<u>Action</u>	<u>Responsible Official</u>
Prepare proposed order	Forest Leadership
Review proposed order (Law Enforcement)	Patrol Captain
Approve proposed order	Forest Supervisor
Post order in accordance with 36 CFR 261.51	District Staff Officer and Staff
Prepare news release for local media describing the order and management objectives	Public Affairs Officer
District staff will be responsible for the management and enforcement of this closure. Any enforcement actions will be within normal policies and procedures established by the LEI Patrol Captain for the zone.	District Staff

## EXHIBIT A

### Colville NF Approved Designated Campgrounds

#### Three Rivers Ranger District

Lake Leo Campground  
Lake Thomas Campground  
Lake Gillette Campground  
Gillette Campground  
Little Twin Lakes Campground  
Big Meadow Lake Campground  
Pierre Lake Campground  
Davis Lake Campground  
Trout Lake Campground  
Canyon Creek Campground  
Sherman Overlook Campground  
Lake Ellen East Campground  
Lake Ellen West Campground

#### Newport and Sullivan Lake Ranger Districts

Panhandle Campground  
South Skookum Campground  
Pioneer Park Campground  
Millpond Campground  
East Sullivan Campground  
Edgewater Campground  
Noisy Creek Group Campground  
Noisy Creek Campground  
Sullivan Lake Group Campground  
West Sullivan Campground  
Browns Lake Campground

#### Republic Ranger District:

Ferry Lake Campground  
Swan Lake Campground  
Long Lake Campground  
Lambert Creek Horse Campground  
10 mile Campground  
Boulder Deer Forest Campground

