

KOOTENAI NATIONAL FOREST  
 31374 US Hwy 2  
 Libby, MT 59923  
 Forest Supervisor's Order

## **AREA, TRAIL, and ROAD CLOSURE ORDER**

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 551, and 36 C.F.R. § 261.50(b), the following restrictions are in effect on the Three Rivers Ranger District on the Kootenai National Forest, Lincoln County, Montana.

### **PROHIBITION**

**36 CFR 261.52** - Fire. When provided by an order, the following are prohibited:

Going into or being upon an area [36 CFR 261.52(e)].

**36 CFR 261.53** - Special Closures When provided in an order, it is prohibited to go into or be upon any area which is closed for the protection of:

Public health or safety. [36 CFR 261.53(e)].

**36 CFR 261.54** - National Forest System Road:

Using any type of vehicle prohibited by the order [36CFR 261.54(a)].

Use of any type of traffic prohibited by the order [36 CFR 261.54(b)].

**36 CFR 261.55** - National Forest System Trails. When prohibited by an order issued in accordance with Sec. 261.50 of this subpart, the following are prohibited on a National Forest System trail:

Being on the trail [36 CFR 261.55(a)].

### **PURPOSE**

For Public Safety, the National Forest System Lands & Trails in the Vicinity of the Callahan Fire are closed to public use and travel due to current fire activity.

### **AREA CLOSED**

For the purpose of this order, it is prohibited to be on any National Forest System Land, Roads, or Trails within the following areas;

#### Boise Meridian (Idaho)

T58N R02E, Sections 1 and 2; T58N R03E, Sections 3-10, 18; T59N R02E, Sections 1-4, 10-14, 23-26, 35, 36; T59N R03E, Sections 3-10, 15-22, 27-34; T60N R02E, Sections 34-35; all within the Kootenai National Forest boundary.

#### Montana Principal Meridian

T30N R34W, Section 6; T30N R35W, Sections 1 and 2; T31N R34W, Sections 3-10, 15-22, 30, 31; T31N R35W, Sections 1, 2, 11-14, 23-26, 35, 36; T32N R34W, Sections 28-34; T32N R35W, Sections 35 and 36; all within the Kootenai National Forest boundary.

**Road closures include:** NFSR 427 (Callahan Creek Road) from the junction with NFSR 4478 (Ruby Three Mile Road); NFSR 14390 (Snowstorm Road); NFSR 414 (South Fork Callahan Creek Road); NFSR 4554 (Goat

Creek Road); NFSR 4530 (Smith Mountain Road); and NFSR 4541 (Glad Creek Road). The closure area is bounded by, but does include closure of, NFSR 4478 (Ruby Three Mile) north to NFSR 4477 (Brush Creek Cutoff) then west to NFSR 582 (Ruby Creek).

**Trail closures include:** Trail 152 (Goat Creek); Trail 154 (South Fork Callahan); Trail 155 (Smith Mountain); and Trail 156 (Smith Lake); Trail 407 (Roberts Mountain); Trail 410 (Caribou Creek); and Trail 548 (North Fork Callahan).

See Exhibit A.

**IMPLEMENTATION**

This order will be in effect 1200 p.m. Mountain Daylight Time on September 13, 2020 and will remain in effect until rescinded or no later than November 1st 2020.

**EXEMPTIONS**

Pursuant to 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.
2. Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.

**PENALTY**

Violation of these prohibitions is 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, 3571, and 3581).

**INFORMATION**

Further information regarding this order may be obtained at the Three River Ranger District office Troy, MT (406) 295-4693, or at the Kootenai National Forest Supervisor's Office located at 31374 US Hwy 2 Libby, MT 59923, (406) 758-5208.

Done at Libby, Montana this 13<sup>th</sup> day of September 2020.

By:   
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 Chad W. Benson  
 Forest Supervisor

# Callahan Fire Information 13 September 2020

