

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
FOREST SERVICE
Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area
FOREST ORDER NO. 06-22-01-21-03
Area and Trail Closure

Pursuant to 16 USC § 551 and 36 CFR 261.50(a) and (b), the following acts are prohibited on the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area lands within the State of Oregon as shown on the attached Exhibit A. This Order supersedes Forest Order 06-22-01-20-20, signed on September 29, 2020 by Lynn Burditt, and is effective December 31st 2020, and will remain in effect until rescinded, but no later than December 31st 2022.

Prohibitions:

1. **Going into or being upon an area closed for the protection of public health or safety. (36 CFR § 261.53(e)).**
2. **Being on a trail. (36 CFR § 261.55(a)).**

Closure Area Description:

All National Forest System (NFS) lands, roads and trails administered by the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area within Multnomah and Hood River Counties, State of Oregon within the following area:

Lands south of I-84, and north of the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area boundary; bounded on the west by the Larch Mountain Trail #441, Franklin Ridge Trail #427, and Oneonta Trail #424; and bounded on the east by the Pacific Crest Trail (PCT) #2000.

and

Lands within 0.25 miles of the Wyeth Trail #411, from its junction with the Gorge 400 Trail to the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area Boundary.

EXCEPT:

- Eagle Creek Recreation Area
- The following trailheads are open:
 - Horsetail Falls Trailhead
 - Oneonta Trailhead
 - Wahclella Falls Trailhead
- The following trails and the area 25 feet to either side of trail center line are open:
 - Pacific Crest National Scenic Trail #2000
 - Eagle Creek Trail #440
 - Shady Glen Trail #402A
 - Larch Mountain Trail #441
 - Franklin Ridge Trail #427
 - Oneonta Trail #424, from the Larch Mountain Road to the intersection of the Multnomah Spur Trail #446 and from the Oneonta Trailhead to the junction of the Horsetail Falls Trail #438
 - Horsetail Falls Trail #438, from the Horsetail Falls Trailhead to the junction of the Oneonta Trail #424
 - Wahclella Falls Trail #436
 - Gorge Trail #400, from Bridge of the Gods Trailhead to Eagle Creek Recreation Area; from Eagle Creek Recreation Area to John B. Yeon State Park; and from Ainsworth State Park to the junction of the Horsetail Falls Trail #438

See Attached Exhibit A.

Exemptions:

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

- (1) Any person with a permit specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission.
- (2) Any Federal, State, or local official or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.
- (3) The following Agencies engaged in business in the area:
 - Bonneville Power Administration
 - United States Army Corps of Engineers
 - Oregon Department of Fish & Wildlife for fish hatchery operations.
 - Oregon Department of Transportation
 - Oregon Parks and Recreation Department

Purpose:

This closure is necessary to provide protection for forest users from hazards present in the area following the Eagle Creek Fire.

Done at Hood River, Oregon this 31st day of December, 2020.


LYNN BURDITT
Forest Supervisor
Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area

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)