ORDER

AREA CLOSURE

LIBERTY BLACKJACK PIT

Pursuant to 36 CFR 261.50(a), the following acts are prohibited within the Wenatchee National Forest, Cle Elum Ranger District. The purpose of this order is to protect National Forest Property.

1. Using any motorized vehicles, except snowmobiles, within the area of closure shown on Exhibit A, attached. 36 CFR 261.53(f).

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

1. Persons with a permit, issued by the Forest Supervisor or District Ranger, current permit holders specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission.

2. Any Federal, State, or local officer or member of an organized search and rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of official duties.

Done at Wenatchee, Washington this 31st day of MARCH, 1994

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Forest Supervisor
Wenatchee National Forest

Violation of these prohibitions is punishable by a fine of not more than $5000.00 or imprisonment of not more than (6) months or both. Title 16 USC Section 551.

S.O. Order No. 250
PROPOSED AREA CLOSURE
WENATCHEE NATIONAL FOREST, CLE ELUM RANGER DISTRICT

NAME OF FACILITY: LIBERTY BLACKJACK PIT
ACCESS BY: ROGERS ROAD NO. 9712112
LOCATION: W. 1/2 of the S.E.1/4, SEC. 2, T.20N., R.17E..
ENFORCEMENT PLAN: An "AREA CLOSED" sign at entrance
Large earth berm and trench
Map of vicinity
Justification statement

This rock pit area has been a source of aggregate for road construction and maintenance for several years. Experience has shown the Government has lost a considerable volume of both raw and crushed aggregate due to the unrestricted access to the site.

Currently an earth berm and trench is in place to discourage theft. A legal closure, permanent in nature would provide a legal recourse in dealing with violators. The closure would be posted at the end of the access Road No. 9712112 at the entry to the pit.

This closure is easily monitored from the frequently traveled Liberty Road. Accompanying this request is a site map of the pit and adjoining area.