



FOREST ORDER No. 0513-21-15
USDA FOREST SERVICE
PACIFIC SOUTHWEST REGION
Sequoia National Forest

Pursuant to 16 USC § 551 and 36 CFR § 261.50(a), and to protect natural resources and provide for public safety, the following acts are prohibited within the Sequoia National Forest. This Order is effective from May 21, 2021, through November 30, 2021.

1. Building, maintaining, attending, or using a fire, campfire, or stove fire, except in open developed campgrounds above 5,000 feet in elevation. 36 CFR § 261.52(a).
2. Smoking, except within an enclosed vehicle. 36 CFR § 261.52(d).
3. Operating an internal combustion engine off paved, gravel or dirt National Forest System roads and trails, except boats on a water surface. 36 CFR § 261.52(h).
4. Welding, or operating an acetylene or other torch with an open flame. 36 CFR § 261.52(i).

Pursuant to 36 CFR § 216.50 (e), the following persons are exempt from this Order:

1. Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.
2. Persons with a valid California Campfire Permit are not exempt from the prohibitions listed above. However, persons with a valid California Campfire Permit may use a portable campfire pit, stove or lantern that uses gas, kerosene, jellied petroleum or pressurized liquid fuel, with a shut-off valve, in an area at least three feet from any flammable materials.
3. Persons with a valid 2021 Forest Products Removal Permit (fuelwood permit) from the United States Forest Service are not exempt from the prohibitions listed above, but may operate an internal combustion engine off National Forest System roads and trails only to the extent necessary to cut fuelwood, provided the cutting of fuelwood is done in compliance with the terms of the fuelwood permit.
4. Persons with a Forest Service non-special use written authorization to conduct non-recreational activities, such as harvesting timber or forest products, or grazing livestock, are exempt from Prohibition Nos. 3 and 4, to the extent allowed by the written authorization.



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These prohibitions are in addition to the general prohibitions contained in 36 CFR Part 261, Subpart A.

A 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 USC § 551 and 18 USC § § 3559, 3571, and 3581.

Executed in Porterville, California, this 17th day of May 2021.

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