

EMERGENCY CLOSURE ORDER OF THE FOREST SUPERVISOR RESTRICTING CAMPFIRES ON THE CHIPPEWA NATIONAL FOREST

Pursuant to the provisions of 16 U.S.C. § 551, and 36 C.F.R. §§ 261.50 (a) and (b), the following act is prohibited on U.S. Forest Service lands within the Chippewa National Forest, Minnesota:

1. Igniting, building, maintaining, attending, or using a campfire, fire, including charcoal grills and barbecues, coal, and wood burning stoves. (36 CFR 261.52(a))

The prohibitions of this order shall remain in effect until terminated by the Forest Supervisor.

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

- 1. Persons using a stove or grill that is solely fueled by liquid petroleum or liquid petroleum gas (LPG) fuels (pressurized liquid or gas stove) provided such devices have a shut-off valve and are used in areas that are barren or cleared of all overhead and surrounding flammable material within 3 feet of the device.
- 2. Persons with permit specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission (36 CFR 261.50(e)(1)); and,
- 3. Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of any organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty (36 CFR 261.50(e)(4).
- 4. Campfires are allowed ONLY within U.S. Forest Service provided campfire structures (fire rings etc.) at designated recreation sites, which include fee campgrounds and U.S. Forest Service permitted Resorts, Recreation Residences, and Organizational Camps. The list of designated recreation sites where campfires are allowed using U.S. Forest Service provided campfire structures is shown on Exhibit A.
- 5. Activities by Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe citizens and on-reservation tribal residents within the external boundaries of the Leech Lake Indian Reservation are exempt from the restrictions in this order but may be subject to restrictions by tribal authorities.

Violation of these prohibitions is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5000.00 for an individual or \$10,000.00 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than six (6) months, or both (16 U.S.C., 18 U.S.C. 3559 and 3571).

Dated this 17th day of June 2021, at Cass Lake, Minnesota.

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Exhibit A

DEVELOPED CAMPGROUNDS

Norway Beach Recreation Area:

Cass Lake Loop Chippewa Loop Norway Beach Loop Wanaki Loop

- Knutson Dam Recreation Area (Bimijiwan)
- Webster Lake
- Winnie
- Clubhouse Lake
- Deer Lake
- East Seelye Bay
- Mosomo Point

- North Star
- O-Ne-Gum-E
- Williams Narrows
- Cut Foot Horse Camp
- Mabel Lake
- Stony Point
- South Pike Bay

RESORTS

- Ojibway
- Norway Beach
- Oak Point
- Northland
- Pine Grove

- Highbanks
- The Pines Resort
- Cut Foot Sioux Inn
- Tamarack
- Eagles Nest Lodge

RECREATION RESIDENCES

- Alice Lake
- Big Rock
- Big Rock Ad
- Day Lake
- East Beach
- East McAvity Bay
- East Seelye
- Highbanks
- K Dam
- Little Cut Foot Soiux
- Mississippi River
- Noma Lake
- North Ojibway

- North Sioux
- North Star
- Norway Bluff
- Ojibway
- Rice Lake
- Sandy Beach
- South Highbanks
- South Winnie
- Strawberry Pt
- Takagami
- Walker Bay
- West Pike Bay
- Winnie Dam

ORGANIZATIONAL CAMPS

- Camp Ruby
- YMCA CFS

- Bluewater-Campfire
- Voyageurs Area Council-Nushka