



# *National Forests and Grasslands in Texas*

## **Davy Crockett National Forest Houston County, Texas**



# **EMERGENCY PROHIBITIONS**

### **FOREST SUPERVISOR ORDER NO. 08-13-03-12-19**

### **RATCLIFF LAKE RECREATION AREA AND TRAIL CLOSURES**

Pursuant to 36 CFR 261.50(a) and (b), and 261.53(e) and 261.55(a), and because of the risk of falling trees and limbs resulting from recent tree mortality caused by extreme drought, stresses to live trees due to recent rainfall, and strong winds, I am closing the following areas:

- AREA CLOSED:** Portions of the **RATCLIFF LAKE DEVELOPED RECREATION AREA and portions of the TALL PINES and 4C HIKING TRAILS** (shown as closed on the attached map) located in Houston County, Texas.
- EFFECTIVE DATE:** This Closure Order is effective September 28, 2012 and continues until rescinded.
- PROHIBITED ACTS:** **No person or vehicle may enter, go into or be upon or within** portions of the Ratcliff Lake Developed Recreation Area or portions of the Tall Pines and 4C Hiking Trails shown as closed on the attached map.

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

- (1) Persons with permission from a forest officer;
- (2) Any Federal, State, or local Law Enforcement Officer or member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty;
- (3) Emergency crews who are repairing or restoring utility services; and
- (4) Persons with a permit specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission.

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

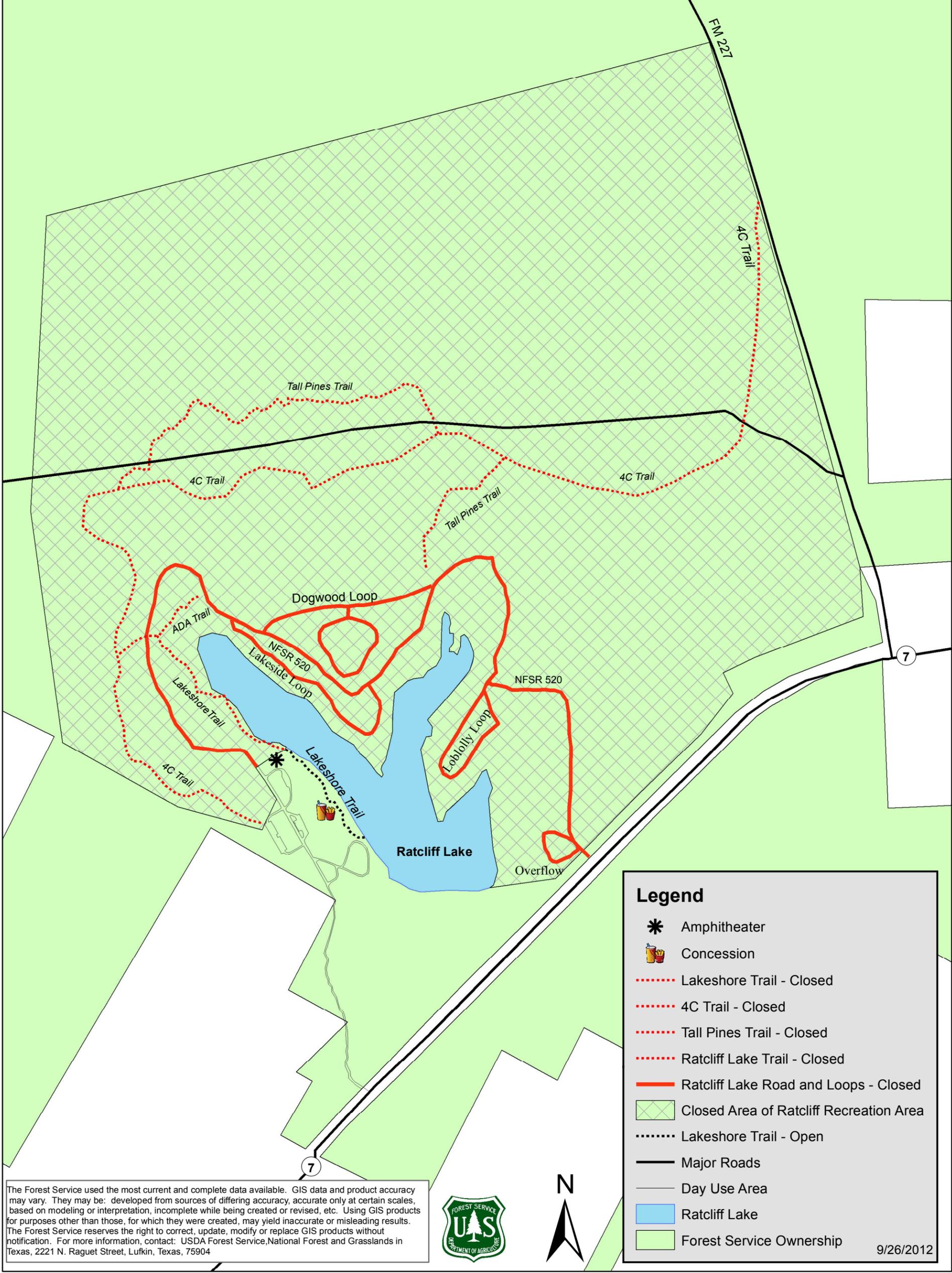
Executed in Lufkin, Texas this 28<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2012.

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**Violation of these prohibitions is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000 for an individual or \$10,000 for an organization, imprisonment for not more than six (6) months, or both. (16 U.S.C. 551 and 18 U.S.C. 3559 and 3571).**

# Ratcliff Lake Recreation Area and Trail Closures



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**Legend**

- Amphitheater
- Concession
- Lakeshore Trail - Closed
- 4C Trail - Closed
- Tall Pines Trail - Closed
- Ratcliff Lake Trail - Closed
- Ratcliff Lake Road and Loops - Closed
- Closed Area of Ratcliff Recreation Area
- Lakeshore Trail - Open
- Major Roads
- Day Use Area
- Ratcliff Lake
- Forest Service Ownership

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