

ORDER
SPECIAL CLOSURE

USDA FOREST SERVICE
GIFFORD PINCHOT NATIONAL FOREST
MOUNT ST. HELENS NATIONAL VOLCANIC MONUMENT

Pursuant to 36 CFR 261 (a) and (b) the following acts are prohibited within the Mount Margaret Backcountry Management Area of the MOUNT ST. HELENS NATIONAL VOLCANIC MONUMENT, GIFFORD PINCHOT NATIONAL FOREST, until further notice.

1. Entering into or being in any area which is closed for the protection of special biological communities. 36 CFR 261.53(b).
2. Entering into or being in any area which is closed for the protection of scientific experiments or investigations. 36 CFR 261.53(d).
3. Camping, except at designated sites with a permit in possession. 36 CFR 261.58(e).
4. Using a bicycle, vehicle or motor vehicle on any trail, except bicycles on the Boundary Trail #1 between Norway Pass Trailhead and the junction with the Coldwater Trail #230. 36 CFR 261.55(b).
5. Possessing or transporting any animal, including pets, stock, or pack animals, within the closure area, except: a) for fish or game taken in compliance with State or Federal hunting and fishing laws or regulations; or b) disability assistance animals on a leash not to exceed six feet in length. 36 CFR 261.58(s).
6. Building, maintaining, attending or using a fire, campfire, or stove fire except for pressurized gas or liquid fuel stoves. 36 CFR 261.52(a).
7. Landing any aircraft, dropping or picking up of any material, supplies or persons by means of aircraft, including helicopters. 36 CFR 261.58(y).
8. Possessing or transporting a motor or mechanical device capable of propelling a watercraft through the water by any means. 36 CFR 261.58(w).

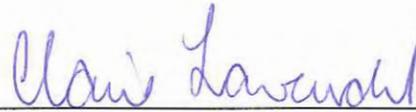
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Pursuant to 36 CFR 261.50(e), the following are exempt from this order:

1. Any Federal, State, or local law enforcement officer, or member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force, or Forest Officer, or Forest Service Volunteer, or Forest Service Human Resource Program Enrollee or Contractor in the performance of an official duty, only to the extent necessary to perform those official duties.
2. Persons with a valid U.S. Forest Service administrative closure entry permit in their possession which specifically exempts the person or persons from any part or parts of the prohibition. These persons are restricted to the limitations and restrictions of their permits.
3. Persons dispersed camping in the green forest portion (the intact forest outside of the 1980 blast zone) of the Mount Margaret Backcountry as identified on Exhibit A map labeled "G" are not required to obtain a permit. However, camping is prohibited within 200 feet of Island Lake and O'Conner Lake.

DONE AT VANCOUVER, WASHINGTON, THIS 19th DAY OF OCTOBER, 1999



CLAIRE LAVENDEL
Forest Supervisor

Violation of these prohibitions is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000.00 or imprisonment for not more than six (6) months or both. Title 16 USC, Section 551.

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EXHIBIT A

This document and map describe the area to which the above regulations apply. All are within the Mount St. Helens National Volcanic Monument.

Description of the Mount Margaret Backcountry Closure Area

Begin at the West 1/2 of section 32, T11N, R5E, on the south shore of the Green River at the Mount St. Helens National Volcanic Monument boundary;

South along the boundary to Minnie Peak, section 21, T10N, R5E;

Southwest down the unnamed creek to Trail #211;

East along Trail #211 to the intersection with Trail #230;

South along Trail #230 to the intersection with Trail #1;

East along Trail #1 to the intersection with Trail #227;

South along Trail #227 to the intersection with Trail #227A;

North along Trail #227A to the intersection with Trail #1;

East along Trail #1 to Norway Creek, section 32, T10N, R6E;

South along Norway Creek to Green River;

South along Green River to Monument boundary East 1/2 of section 20, T10N, R6E;

West Northwest along the Monument boundary to the South shore of the Green River;

Northwest along the Green River to the point of beginning.

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Description of the Green Forest area within the Mount Margaret Backcountry

Begin at the West 1/2 of section 32, T11N, R5E, on the south shore of the Green River at the Mount St. Helens National Volcanic Monument boundary;

Southeast along the edge of the 1980 blast (indicated by the abrupt change from a mature living forest, generally to the north, and standing dead or blown down forest, generally to the south) through section 32, T11N, R5E;

Southeast along the edge of the 1980 blast through the Northeast corner of section 5, T10N, R5E;

Southeast along the edge of the 1980 blast through the Southwest corner of section 4, T10N, R5E;

South along the edge of the 1980 blast through the West 1/2 of section 9, T10N, R5E;

Southeast along the edge of the 1980 blast through the Northeast corner of section 16, T10N, R5E;

West along the edge of the 1980 blast through the Northeast corner of section 15, T10N, R5E;

Northeast along the edge of the 1980 blast through the Northwest corner of section 14, T10N, R5E;

Northeast along the edge of the 1980 blast through the South 1/2 of section 11, T10N, R5E;

Northwest down the Green River to the point of beginning.

