

ORDER NO 871

OCCUPANCY AND USE
And
NATIONAL FOREST SYSTEM ROADS AND TRAILS
OKANOGAN WENATCHEE NATIONAL FOREST

Pursuant to Title 36 CFR 261.50(a) and (b), the following acts are prohibited on designated portions of the National Forest System (NFS) roads, trails, and lands as shown on attached map and described below within the Okanogan and Wenatchee National Forests.

1. To go into or be upon any area which is closed for the protection of public safety. For the purpose of this order, this restriction prohibits entry onto National Forest System lands and includes all methods of travel on all roads and trails along the boundary and within the area described below: (36 CFR 261.53 (e)). This restriction is effective beginning August 7, 2014, and will remain in effect until rescinded.

National Forest System Land within the Twisp River Area: Beginning from the intersection of Forest Road #4400 Twisp River Road and County Road 1091 (T 33N R20E Sec. 15) follow County Road 1091 to FS Road #4300, then FS Road #4300 to the Forest Road # 4300- 500 West Fork Buttermilk (T33N R20E Sec. 26), to the West Fork Buttermilk Trailhead, then along West Fork Buttermilk Trail # 411 to the Lake Chelan Sawtooth Wilderness Boundary at Fish Creek Pass (T32N R19E Sec. 23) then follow the Okanogan – Chelan County Line northwest to the Lake Chelan Sawtooth Wilderness boundary (T32N R18E Sec. 1), follow the Lake Chelan Sawtooth Wilderness boundary north to Kangaroo Ridge (T 35N R18E Sec. 28), then east along the Lake Chelan Sawtooth Wilderness boundary to T35N R20E NW1/4 corner of Section 35, then due east along the section line of Sec. 35 to the intersection with Forest Road # 5005-260, then south along Forest Road 5005-260 and Forest Road 5005-220 to the intersection with Forest Road #5005(T34N R20E Sec. 1), then due south to Forest Road # 4410-500 Little Wolf Creek, then follow Forest Road # 4410-500 Little Wolf Creek to the intersection with Forest Road #4410 Thompson Ridge (T34N R20E sec. 7), then follow the private land boundary east to the National Forest Boundary (T34N R 21E Sec. 7), then south along the National Forest Boundary excluding private land to the intersection of National Forest Land and private land (T34N R21E Sec. 6), then west along the private land – National Forest Land boundary to the beginning.

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

1. Persons with a permit specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission.
2. Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of on official duty.
3. Forest Service employees on official business.

This prohibition is in addition to the general prohibitions in 36 CFR 261, Subpart A

Done at Wenatchee, Washington, this 8 day of August ,2014.



MICHAEL L. BALBONI
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Okanogan Wenatchee National Forest

Violation of this prohibition is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000.00 for an individual or \$10,000 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than 6 months, or both. (Title 16 USC Section 551 and USC 3559 and 3571).

Assessment of Need and Enforcement Plan

1. Background. The Little Bridge Fire is burning in the area and is a threat to public safety.
2. Intent of Subpart B order. To protect the public from being in an area where fire could spread rapidly.
3. Enforcement Plan. The following activities need to occur to implement this special order in a manner that results in public acceptance and safety:

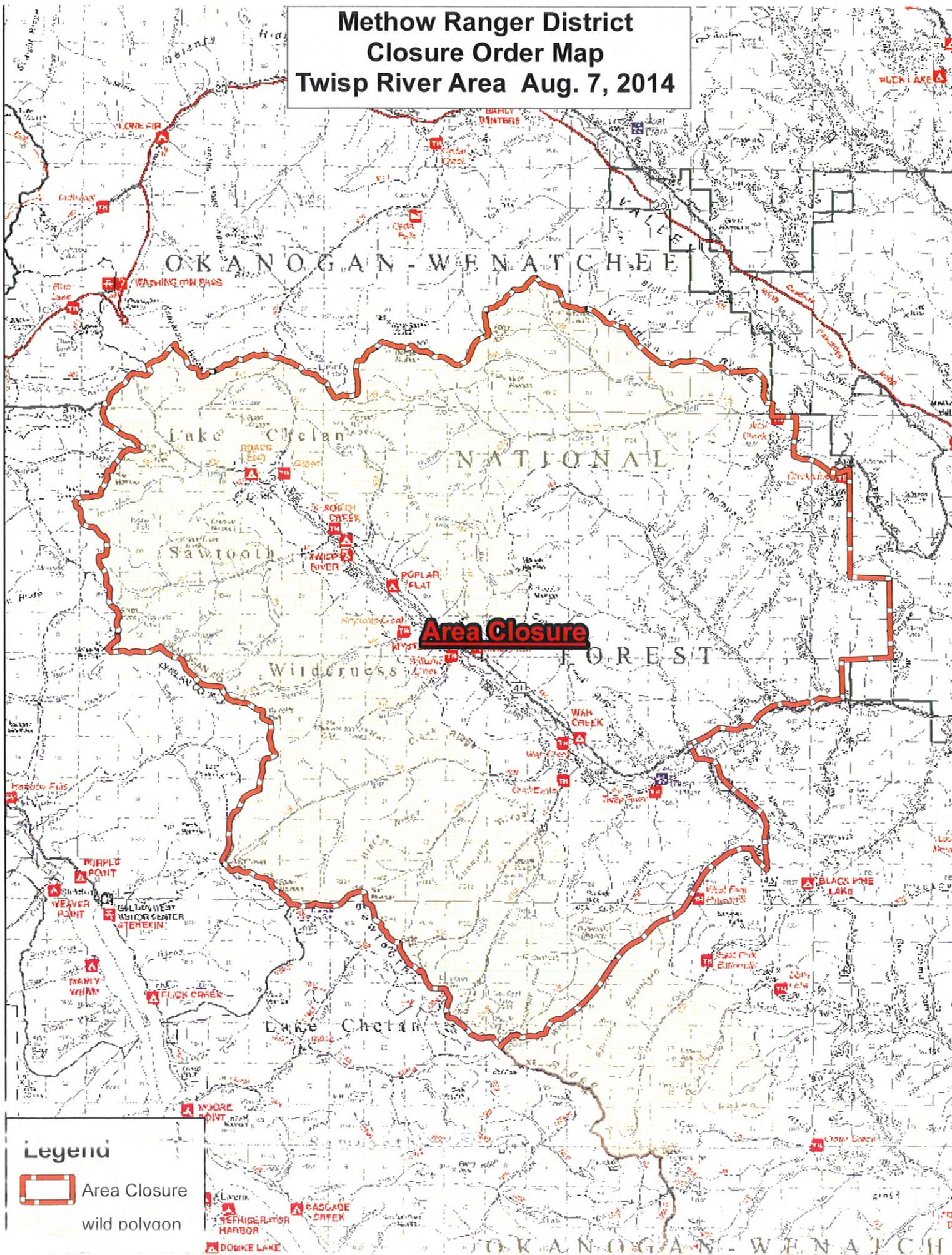
<u>Action</u>	<u>Responsible Official</u>	<u>Date</u>
Prepare proposed order	Appropriate Staff with LE&I input	8/7/2014
Review proposed order	SLEO or Supervisory Special Agent	8/7/2014
Approve proposed order	Forest Supervisor	8/7/2014
Post order in accordance with 36 CFR 261.51	District Staff Officer and Staff	8/7/2014
Prepare news release for local media describing the order and management objectives	District Ranger PAO LEO	8/7/2014
Describe implementation/action taken for order, such as planned patrols, enforcement strategies, tolerance, contacts to local public agencies. Implement plan.	Appropriate Staff LEO/field going personnel	8/7/2014

Enforcement Plan approved for implementation: Signs and information regarding the closures will be posted on the forest website, a news release, fire information boards, and road barricades.

Michael T. Ballcom
FOREST SUPERVISOR

8-8-14
DATE

Methow Ranger District Closure Order Map Twisp River Area Aug. 7, 2014



Twisp River – Thompson Ridge Area Closure August 7, 2014

The Twisp River drainage is closed from Buttermilk Road up to the end of the Twisp River. This includes both roads on the north and south side of the river. It also includes the Buttermilk Road up to the West Fork Buttermilk Road. A previous closure extends beyond the West Fork Buttermilk Road. Trails within the closure includes West Fork Buttermilk, Scaffold Ridge, Eagle Creek, Oval Creek, War Creek, Williams, Reynolds Creek, South Creek, Twisp and Copper Pass, North Creek, Scatter Creek, Slate Creek, and Wolf Creek. Little Bridge Creek Road, Thompson Ridge Road, and Little Wolf Creek Road are also closed. This includes Chickadee Trailhead and will affect some of the Sun Mountain bike and hiking trails in the area.