

**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
FOREST SERVICE
BRIDGER-TETON NATIONAL FOREST**

Occupancy and Use

Pursuant to Title 36 Code of Federal Regulations CFR, 261.50 (a) and (b), the following acts are prohibited in the areas, open roads, and trails all described in this order, all within the Bridger-Teton National Forest until further notice.

PROHIBITIONS:

1. Possessing or storing any food or refuse, as specified in the Order. **36 CFR 261.58 (cc)**
2. Possessing, storing, or transporting any bird, fish, or other animal, or parts thereof, as specified in the Order. **36 CFR 261.58 (s)**
3. Camping as specified in the Order. **36 CFR 261.58 (e)**

EXEMPTIONS:

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

1. Persons with a permit issued by the Forest Supervisor specifically exempting them from the effect of this Order.
2. Any Federal or State officer placing baits to capture animals for research or management purposes as part of their official duties.

UNDER THIS ORDER IT IS REQUIRED THAT:

1. All food and refuse must be acceptably stored or acceptably possessed during daytime hours.
2. All food and refuse must be acceptably stored during nighttime hours, unless it is being prepared for eating, being eaten, being transported, or being prepared for acceptable storage.
3. Any harvested animal carcass must be acceptably stored, unless the carcass is being field dressed, transported, being prepared for eating, or being prepared for acceptable storage.
4. Camping or sleeping areas must be established at least ½ mile from a known animal carcass or at least 100 yards from an acceptably stored animal carcass.

AREA DESCRIBED:

This order applies to the area shown on the map in Exhibit B and can be further described as follows:

Southern Boundary: The food storage boundary begins on southwest at the south side of the confluence of the Snake and Greys Rivers. It then runs east and north along the Snake River corridor, including that area ½ mile south and east of the river itself, to the junction with the Hoback River. At Hoback Junction the area covered by the food storage order runs east along the Hoback River corridor, also including that area up to ½ mile south of the river, to where the Hoback River leaves U.S. 189/191. From there the food storage order applies north of the U.S. 189/191 corridor, also including that area up to ½ mile south of the highway and running east to the Forest boundary in T37N, R111W, Section 32(The Rim). From there the boundary runs northeast along the Forest boundary to the Green River, then southeast along the Forest boundary to Boulder Creek, then east and north along the south side of Boulder Creek to Pipestone Creek, then north along the south side of Pipestone Creek to Lake Prue, then northeast along the south side of Europe Canyon to the Continental Divide.

Eastern and Northern Boundary: Bridger-Teton National Forest Boundary.

Western Boundary: North from Alpine along divide of Snake River Range from Dry Gulch to Ferry Peak Summit, along top of divide to Deadhorse Peak and north along Caribou-Targhee/Bridger-Teton Forest boundary.

PURPOSE:

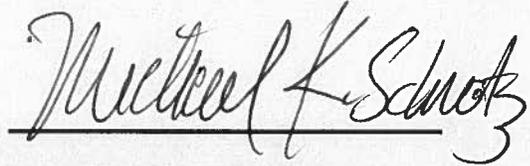
The purpose of this order is to minimize adverse interactions between bears and humans.

IMPLEMENTATION:

1. This Order will be in effect on December 2, 2014 and shall remain in effect until further notice.
2. A list of Definitions (Exhibit A) is attached and made part of this Order.
3. A map identifying the closure area is attached and made part of this Order as Exhibit B.
4. Any violation of this prohibition is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000.00 for individuals and \$10,000.00 for organizations and/or imprisonment for not more than six (6) months. [Title 16 USC 551, Title 18 USC 3571(b)(6), Title 18 USC 3581(b)(7)].
5. This Order supersedes any previous orders prohibiting the same acts covered by this Order.

Order Number 04-03-552

Done at Jackson, Wyoming this 28 day of November, 2014.



ACTING FOR

KATHRYN J. CONANT
Acting Forest Supervisor
Bridger-Teton National Forest

Order Number 04-03-552

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Exhibit A

Occupancy and Use Order No. 04-03-552 Special Order-Food Storage and Sanitation Definitions

1. "Food and Refuse" means any substance, solid or liquid (excluding water, baled hay, or hay cubes without additives) or refuse, which is or may be eaten or otherwise taken into the body to sustain health or life, provide energy, or promote growth of any person or animal. Also includes items such as soft drinks, alcoholic beverages, canned foods, pet foods, processed livestock feed and grains, personal hygiene products, and empty food and beverage containers.
2. "Animal carcass" means the dead body or parts thereof, of any harvested mammal, bird, or fish, including the head or skull plate with antlers or horns and hide or cape of big game animals and any domestic livestock that may be found in the restricted area. Packaged or prepared animal carcass products transported into the restricted area for consumption, game birds, small mammals, or fish harvested for consumption in the restricted area are considered food under the previous definition.
3. "Acceptably stored" means:
 - a. Stored in bear-resistant container certified through the Interagency Grizzly Bear Committee Courtesy Inspection Program. A container may be certified by the local district ranger or their designated representative(s) if it meets the IGBC criteria, or
 - b. Stored in a closed vehicle where the storage compartment is constructed of solid, non-pliable material that, when secured, will have no openings, hinges, lids, or coverings that would allow a bear to gain entry by breaking, bending, tearing, biting, or pulling with its claws (any windows in the vehicle must be closed), or
 - c. Suspended at least 10 feet clear of the ground at all points and four feet horizontally from any supporting tree or pole, or
 - d. Stored within a hard-sided residence, building, or storage container subject to the terms and conditions of a special-use authorization or operating plan, or
 - e. Stored by other methods approved in a permit issued by the forest supervisor responsible for the area where the method is proposed for use.
 - f. For animal carcasses: stored as per 3. a-e when located from 100 yards to 1/2 mile of a camping or sleeping area or within 200 yards of a National Forest System Trail. Animal carcasses are not considered acceptably stored when within 100 yards of a camping or sleeping area or National Forest System Trail. Animal carcasses more than 1/2 mile from a camping area or sleeping area and more than 200 yards from a National Forest System Trail may be left on the ground.
 - g. Animal carcasses killed or harvested (and parts thereof) within 1/2 mile of any established camping area or sleeping area must be acceptably stored, possessed, or moved to a distance beyond 1/2 mile from any such camp or sleeping area by the party(-ies) responsible for killing or harvesting such mammal.
4. "Acceptably possessed" means:
 - a. Possessed or attended during daytime by a person(s) that is physically present within 100 feet and direct sight of the accessible food, or
 - b. Possessed or attended by such a person(s) for the purpose of field dressing lawfully taken animal carcasses, transporting any food or animal carcass, preparing any animal carcass or food for eating, or eating any food.

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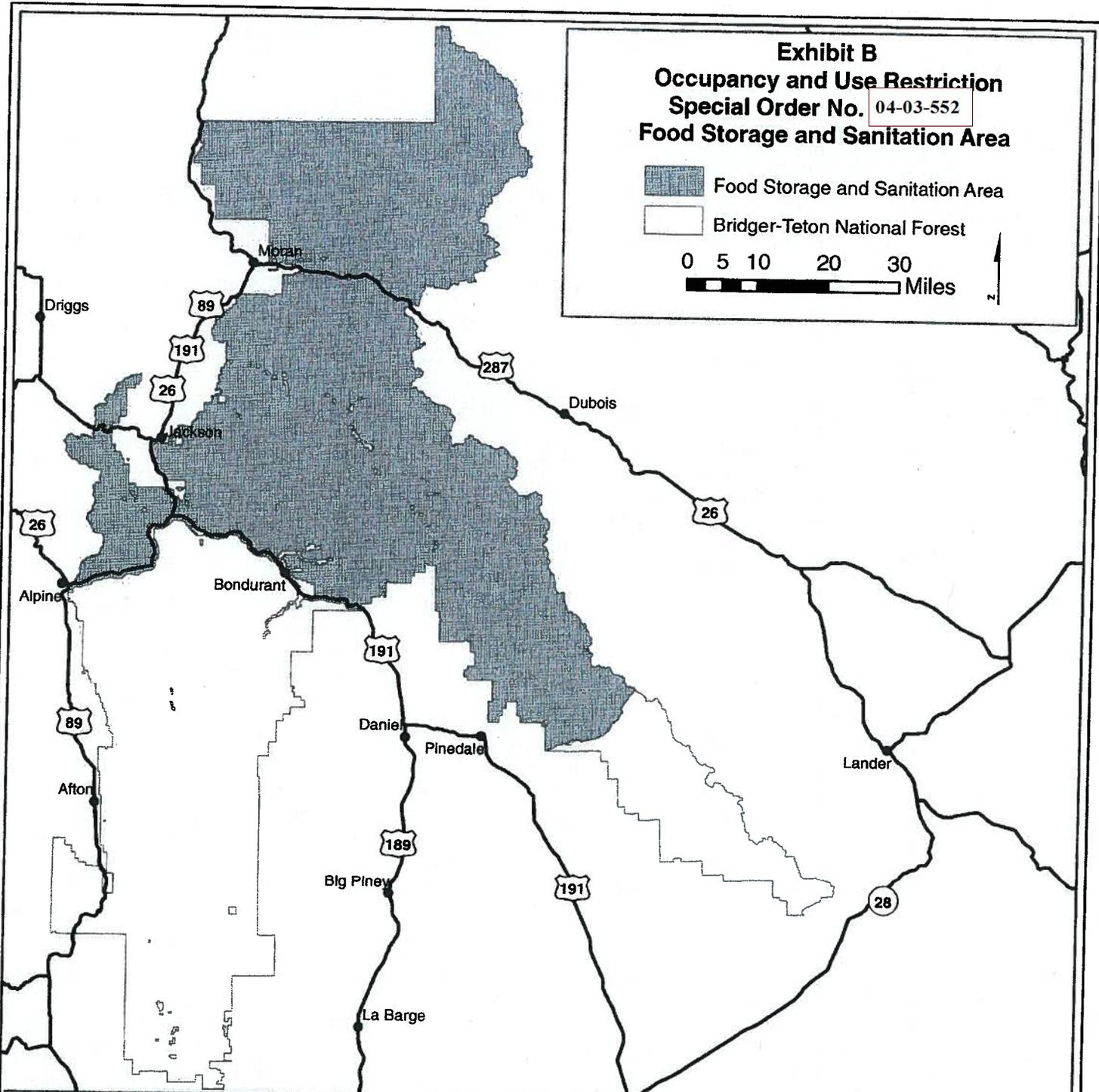
5. "Camping/sleeping area" means National Forest System Lands temporarily used for the purpose of overnight occupancy without a permanently fixed structure or lands temporarily occupied by unattended camping equipment.
6. "Daytime" means ½ hour before sunrise to hour after sunset, Mountain Time.
7. "Night time" means ½ hour after sunset to ½ hour before sunrise, Mountain Time.
8. "National Forest System Trail" means a trail wholly or partly within, or adjacent to, and serving a part of the National Forest System and which has been included in a forest recreation map.

Exhibit B
Occupancy and Use Restriction
Special Order No. 04-03-552
Food Storage and Sanitation Area

 Food Storage and Sanitation Area

 Bridger-Teton National Forest

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WESTERN BOUNDARY: North from Alpine along divide of Snake River Range from Dry Gulch to Ferry Peak summit, along top of divide to Deadhorse Peak and north along Targhee-Bridger-Teton Forest boundary.

SOUTHERN BOUNDARY: The expanded food storage boundary on the Bridger-Teton National Forest begins on the southwest at the south side of the confluence of the Snake and Greys Rivers. It then runs east and north along the Snake River corridor, including that area ½ mile south and east of the river itself, to the junction with the Hoback River. At Hoback Junction the area covered by the food storage order runs east along the Hoback River corridor, also including that area up to ½ mile south of the river, to where the Hoback River leaves U.S. 189/191. From there the food storage order applies north of the U.S. 189/191 corridor, also including that area up to ½ mile south of the highway and running east to the Forest boundary in T37N, R111W, Section 32 (The Rim). From there the boundary runs northeast along the Forest boundary to the Green River, then southeast along the Forest boundary to Boulder Creek, then east and north along the south side of Boulder Creek to Pipestone Creek, then north along the south side of Pipestone Creek to Lake Prue, then northeast along the south side of Europe Canyon to the Continental Divide.

EASTERN AND NORTHERN BOUNDARY: Bridger-Teton National Forest Boundary