

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
GEORGE WASHINGTON & JEFFERSON NATIONAL FORESTS

Order Number 29-08-15

OCCUPANCY AND USE OF THE PINE MOUNTAIN TUNNEL,
CLINCH RANGER DISTRICT

Pursuant to the provisions of 16 U.S.C. § 551 and 36 C.F.R. § 261.50 (e), it is hereby ordered that the following acts and omissions are prohibited in the areas (see attached map) of the Pine Mountain Tunnel on the Jefferson National Forest, located on the Clinch Ranger District in Wise County, VA:

Entering or being in the Pine Mountain Tunnel on National Forest System lands within the Jefferson National Forest. 36 CFR 261.53e

Note: These restrictions are necessary for public safety due to the hazard posed by rockfall from the unstable roof and other dangers associated with the tunnel.

Pursuant to 36 C.F.R. § 261.50(e) the following persons are exempt from all prohibitions set forth herein:

- 1. Any Federal, State, or Local Officer or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force engaged in the performance of an official duty.**
- 2. Persons with a permit specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission.**

This Order shall remain in effect until **October 9, 2015**, unless rescinded by applicable authority.

Executed in Roanoke, Virginia this 11th day of June, 2015.



H. THOMAS SPEAKS, JR.
Forest Supervisor

Violations of the above prohibitions are punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000 or imprisonment for not more than 6 months or both. 16 U.S.C. § 551; 18 U.S.C. §§ 3559, 3571.

