OCCUPANCY AND USE
Food Storage

Pursuant to the provisions of Title36, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 261.50 (a), and for the health and safety of the public, and for the protection of resources, the following acts are prohibited within the listed areas on the George Washington and Jefferson National Forests:

1. Possessing or leaving any food or refuse unless it is:
   a. Stored properly or
   b. Being eaten, being prepared for eating or being transported or
   c. Disposed of in a bear resistant trash receptacle.

   36 CFR 261.58 (cc)

Definitions:

1. "Bear resistant container or trash receptacle" means a securable container constructed of solid non-pliable material capable of withstanding 200 foot-pounds of energy (using the approved bear resistant container impact testing machine). When secured and under stress the container will not have any cracks, openings, or hinges that would allow a bear to gain entry by biting or pulling with its claws. Wood containers are not considered bear resistant unless they are reinforced with metal.

2. "Food or refuse" means any nourishing substance, solid or liquid (excluding baled hay or water) or refuse thereof, that is not native to the immediate area, which is or may be eaten or otherwise taken into the body to sustain life, provide energy, or promote growth of any person or animal.

3. "Stored Properly" means
   - Stored in a bear-resistant container or;
   - Stored in a closed vehicle constructed of solid, nonpliable material or;
   - Suspended at least ten feet clear of the ground at all points and four feet horizontally from any supporting limb or pole.
   - Disposed of in bear resistant trash receptacles.
Clinch Ranger District
Bark Camp Recreation Area
Cane Patch Campground
Cave Springs Recreation Area
Flatwoods Group Picnic Area
Hanging Rock Campground
High Knob Recreation Area
North Fork of Pound Boat Launch
Phillips Creek Campground
Wise Boat Launch

Eastern Divide Ranger District
Steel Bridge Campground
The Pines Campground
Walnut Flats Campground
White Rocks Campground
Boley Fields Group Campground
Caldwell Fields Group Campground
Craig Creek Recreation Area
White Cedar Horse Camp

Glendwood-Pedlar Ranger District
Cave Mountain Lake Recreation Area
North Creek Campground
Sherando Lake Recreation Area
Hopper Creek Group Campground

James River Ranger District
Coles Point Boat Ramp
Fortney Boat Ramp
Morris Hill Campgrounds
Jackson River Canoe Access Points
Walter Robinson Canoe Access Points

Lee Ranger District
Camp Roosevelt Recreation Area
Elizabeth Furnace Recreation Area
Hawk Recreation Area
Little Fort Campground
Trout Pond Recreation Area
Wolf Gap Recreation Area
Batzell Boat Launch
Bealers Ferry Boat Launch
Bealers Ferry Pond Accessible Fishing Site
Moody Boat Launch
Seekford Boat Launch

Mount Rogen National Recreation Area
Beartree Recreation Area
Comers Rock Recreation Area
Fox Creek Horse Campground
Grindstone Recreation Area
Hurricane Campground
Raccoon Branch Campground
Raven Cliff Recreation Area
Stony Fork Campground
Collins Cove Group Horse Campground
Hussy Mountain Horse Campground
Old Virginia Group Horse Campground

North Rivet Ranger District
Brandywine Recreation Area
Camp Run Campground
Hone Quarry Campground
North River Campground
Shaws Fork Equestrian Campground
Todd Lake Recreation Area

Warm Springs Ranger District
Blowing Springs Campground
Bolar Mountain Recreation Area
Greenwood Point Campground
Hidden Valley Recreation Area
Walton Tract Canoe Access Point
McClintic Point Campgrounds
Pursuant to 36 CFR 261.50(e), the following persons are exempt from this order:

1. Any Federal, State, or local officer or member of any organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty 36 CFR 261.50 (e)(4).

2. Persons with a permit specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission. 36 CFR 261.50 (e) (1).

Executed this 24th day of July 2015, at Roanoke, VA.

THESE PROHIBITIONS WILL BE IN EFFECT FROM THE DATE OF THIS ORDER UNTIL WITHDRAWN BY TERMINATION ORDER OF THE FOREST SUPERVISOR.

H. THOMAS SPEAKS, JR.
Forest Supervisor

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