

**ORDER OF THE FOREST SUPERVISOR
CLOSING AN AREA TO ENTRY, TO WIT:**

Forest Closure

**All Underground Mines, and Historic Iron Furnaces and Tunnels on National Forest System Lands in
the Wayne National Forest**

Under the authority of the Act of Congress dated June 4, 1897, as amended (16 U.S.C. 551), and pursuant to the Secretary of Agriculture's regulations set forth at 36 CFR Part 261, Subpart B (36 CFR 261.50 (a) and (b)), the following acts and omissions are prohibited on all National Forest System lands, administered by the Wayne National Forest:

1. Entering any underground mine on National Forest System lands within the Wayne National Forest, unless posted open. 36 CFR 261.53 (a), (b), (d), and (e)
2. Entering or climbing on any historic iron furnace. 36 CFR 261.53(c), (e)
3. Entering any historic tunnel. 36 CFR 261.53(a), (b), (e)


The purpose of the closure is to provide for public health and safety by reducing or eliminating possible risks associated with mines, furnaces and tunnels including potential for collapse, entrapment and carbon monoxide poisoning, and to reduce disturbance and the spread of white-nose syndrome among bats. These prohibitions will be in effect until May 19, 2015, unless terminated earlier by the Forest Supervisor.

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

1. Persons with a permit from an authorized Forest Service Officer specifically authorizing an otherwise prohibited act or omission. 36 CFR 261.50(e)(1)
2. Any Federal, State or local officer or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force working in the performance of an official duty. 36 CFR 261.(e)(4)

Violation of these prohibitions set forth above is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5000 for an individual and \$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).

Dated this 19th day of May, 2010, at Nelsonville, Ohio.



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