

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
FOREST SERVICE  
BOISE NATIONAL FOREST  
LOWMAN RANGER DISTRICT

*AREA CLOSURE ORDER*  
*Bull Trout Area, Fir Creek, and Bear Valley Campgrounds*  
*(for public safety)*

**PROHIBITIONS:**

Pursuant to Title 36 CFR 261.50(b) the following acts are prohibited within the developed recreation sites and areas described in this order, all within the Lowman Ranger District, Boise National Forest. This Order will be in effect beginning September 15, 2011 and shall remain in effect intermittently through October 5, 2011 as indicated by signs posted by Forest Officers.

1. Entering or using the developed recreation sites described below or any portion thereof. **36 CFR 261.58(b)**
2. Going into or being upon the areas described below which are closed for public health or safety. **36 CFR 261.53(e)**

**EXEMPTIONS:**

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

1. Persons with a special use authorization or other Forest Service authorization specifically exempting them from the effect of this Order.
2. Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.
3. Federal or State administrative personnel in the performance of an official duty.

**AREAS DESCRIBED:**

**Bull Trout Lake Area** located within Township 11 North, Range 10 East, West ½ of Section 9, East ½ of Section 10 (see attached map).

**Fir Creek Campground and the Area .25 miles south and west of the campground boundary (timber sale boundary)** located within Township 13 North, Range 10 East, South ½ of Section 29 (see attached map).

**Bear Valley Campground** located within Township 13 North, Range 9 East, South ½ of Section 34 (see attached map).

The above described developed recreation sites and areas are located within the administrative boundaries of the Lowman Ranger District, Boise National Forest, Boise and Valley Counties, Idaho.

**PURPOSE:**

The aforementioned areas will be closed for public safety during and immediately following pesticide applications.

**IMPLEMENTATION:**

1. This Order will be in effect when signed and shall remain in effect intermittently from September 15, 2011 through approximately October 5, 2011 as indicated by signs posted by forest officers.
2. A map identifying the closure area is attached and made part of this Order.
3. Violation of the above prohibition(s) is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000.00 for an individual, or \$10,000.00 for an organization, 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)].
4. Further information regarding this Order may be obtained at the Lowman Ranger Station located in Lowman, ID, telephone number (208)-259-3361.
5. This Order supersedes any previous Order(s) prohibiting the same, or similar acts, prohibited by this Order in the developed recreation sites and area covered by this Order.

Done at Boise, Idaho this 14th day of September, 2011.

  
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CECILIA R. SEESHOLTZ  
Forest Supervisor  
Boise National Forest

**Order Number: 0402-05-41**

2011 Assessment of Need and Enforcement Plan  
Order Number 0402-05-41

1. Background. Bull Trout, Bear Valley, and Fir Creek Campgrounds are all being affected by a growing Mountain Pine Beetle infestation. The Lowman Ranger District is implementing a pesticide application project in an attempt to manage the infestation at these sites. NEPA analysis and ESA Consultation was completed for the proposed activities in August of 2007 and a Decision Memo was signed on August 13, 2007. During these operations the campgrounds and adjacent activity areas need to be closed to public access for public safety. The closures will be temporary in nature.

2. Intent of Subpart B order. The order will provide for public safety during pesticide application activities. This activity has the potential to cause harm to the public. Excluding the public from the aforementioned areas will eliminate this safety risk.

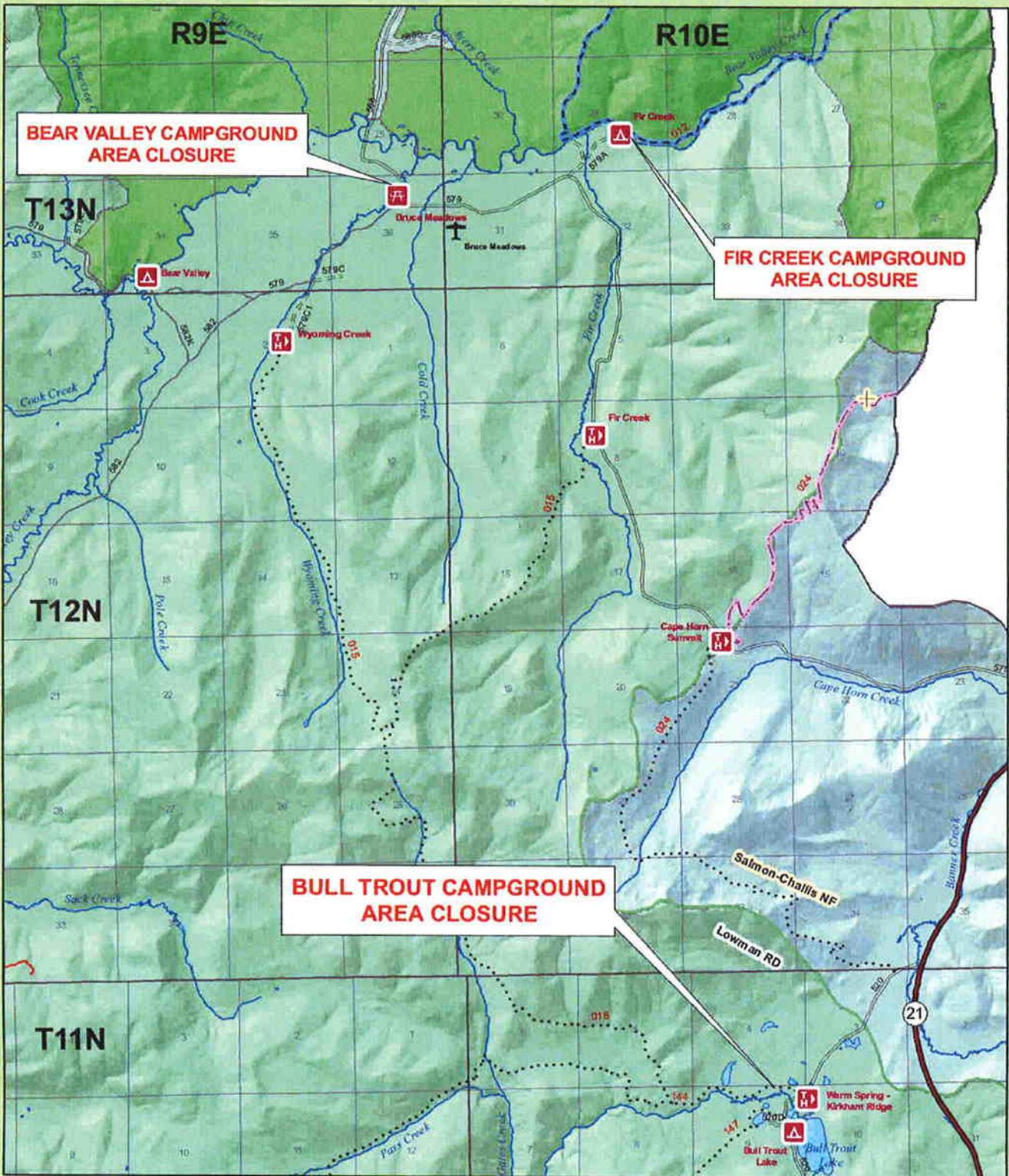
3. Enforcement Plan. The following activities need to occur to implement this special order in a manner that results in public acceptance and safety: On ground signing to meet posting requirements in 36 CFR 261.51(b).

<u>Action</u>	<u>Responsible Official</u>	<u>Date</u>
Prepare proposed order	Pete Wier	9/07/2011
Review proposed order	LEO Richard Kline	9/09/2011
Review proposed order	Patrol Captain-RO LEI/OGC	9/13/2011
Approve proposed order	Cecilia Seesholtz	When Signed
Post order in accordance with 36 CFR 261.51	Pete Wier	9/15/2011
Prepare news release for local media describing the order and management objectives	Dave Olson Pete Wier LEO	9/7/2011
Describe implementation/action taken for order: District personnel will be on site during the applications including FPO's and project personnel; the area will be signed and patrolled (Pete Wier, Keith Wilson, Chris Wagner).	Pete Wier LEO/field going personnel	9/15/2011

Enforcement Plan approved for implementation:

  
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CECILIA R. SEESHOLTZ  
Forest Supervisor  
Boise National Forest

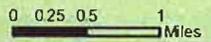
  
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**Boise National Forest**

**Lowman Ranger District  
Campground Closure**

**SPECIAL ORDER #:** 0402-05-41



All motorized trails are open to non-motorized travel.

Trails	Roads	Land Ownership
Hikers	Highway	USFS
Hikers and Stock Use	Passenger Car Road	PRIVATE
Bicycles, Stock Use and Hikers	Not Suitable for Passenger Cars	STATE - FG
ATVs < 50" in width	Open to ATV & Motorcycle	District Boundary
Motorcycle	Local Non-Forest Roads	trail_lick_creek_ridge
Trails - Seasonal	Road closed to Motorized Use	trail_miller_connectio
	Roads - Seasonal	trail_miller_extensio
		trail_wagon_road
		trail_system_overall