

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
UNITED STATES FOREST SERVICE  
CHATTAHOOCHEE – OCONEE NATIONAL FOREST

BLUE RIDGE RANGER DISTRICT

ORDER NUMBER CO-12-01

**Appalachian Trail Seasonal Camping Regulation**

Pursuant to Title 36 Code of Federal Regulations (C.F.R) Section 261.50 (a) and (b), and for the protection of the public and natural resources, the following act or omission is prohibited in all areas along and within one quarter mile of each side of the Appalachian National Scenic Trail located between Jarrard Gap and Neels Gap to include the Woods Hole Shelter and Blood Mountain Shelter in the Chattahoochee National Forest of Georgia between March 1<sup>st</sup> and June 1<sup>st</sup> of each year. The provisions of this Order shall remain in effect from March 1st, 2012 to June 1st, 2016.

1. All persons camping overnight must possess and use a bear resistant canister for the storage of all food, food containers, garbage, and toiletries. (36 CFR 261.53 (e))

Bear Resistant Canister: All bear resistant canisters must be commercially made; constructed of solid, non-pliable material manufactured for the specific purpose of resisting entry by bears

Pursuant to the provisions of Title 36 C.F.R, Section 261.50 (e), the following persons are exempt from the above prohibition:

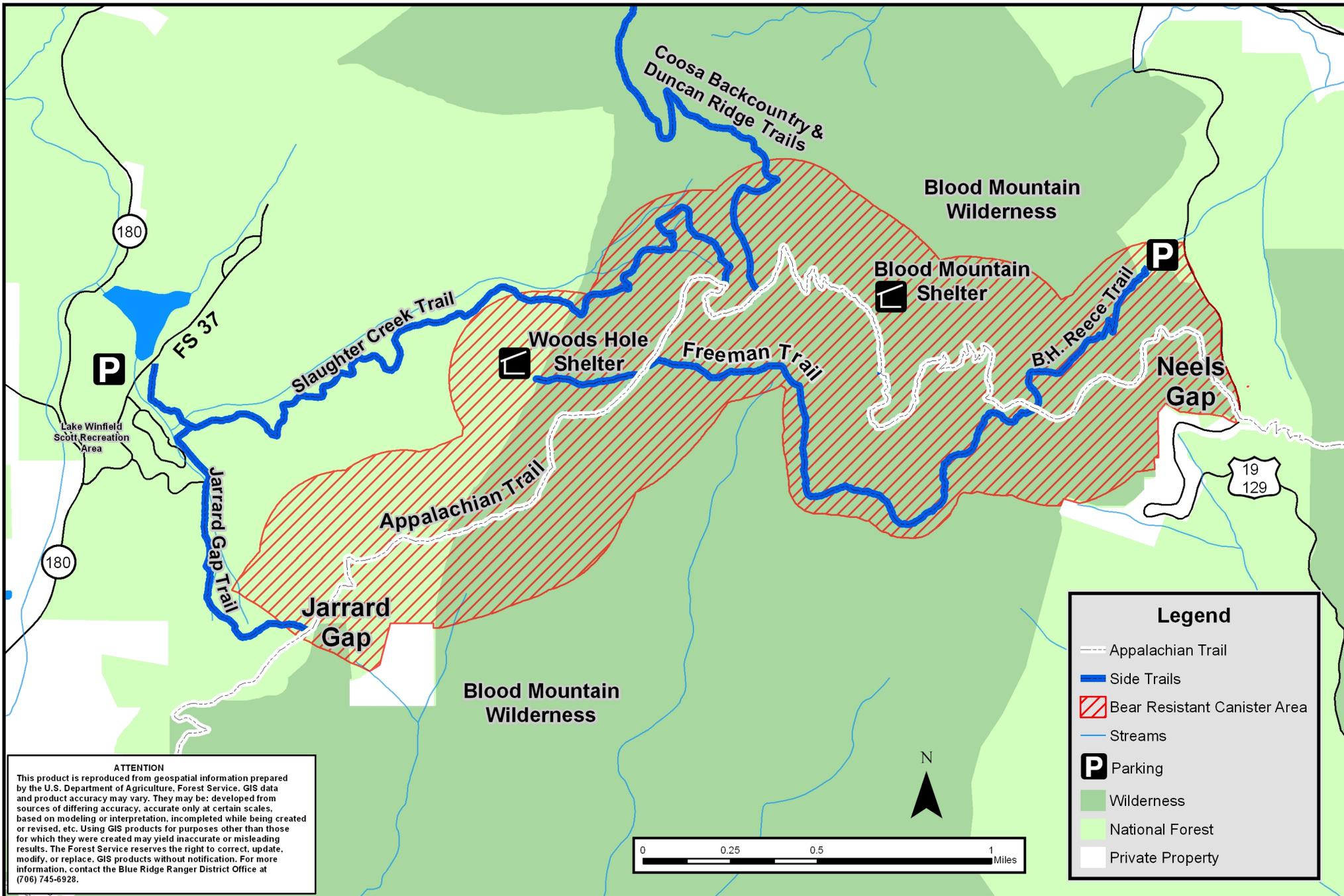
- 1) Persons with a permit specially authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission.
- 2) Any Federal, State, or Local officer or member of any organized rescue or firefighting force in the official performance of their duties.

Prepared at Gainesville, Georgia this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of FEBRUARY, 2012.

  
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Violations of this prohibition are punishable by a fine of not more than \$5000.00 for an individual and \$10,000 for an organization or imprisonment for not more than six months or both. Title 16 USC 551 and Title 18 USC 3559 and 3571.

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