Pursuant to Title 36 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Section 261.50 (a) and (b), the following act or omission is prohibited at Anna Ruby Falls Area on the Chattooga River Ranger District within the Chattahoochee-Oconee National Forests. This closure is effective from July 25, 2013 through July 25, 2023.

1. Fishing is prohibited in the area between the handicap bridge crossing Smith Creek access from the picnic area from Anna Ruby Falls Parking lot and the first Smith Creek Trail Bridge crossing Smith Creek above Anna Ruby Falls Visitor Center. 36 CFR 261.58 (v).

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

1. Any Federal, State, or local officer or member of any organized rescue in the official performance of their duties.

2. Persons with a permit specially authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission.

Prepared at Gainesville, Georgia this 12th day of June, 2013.

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Violations of this prohibition is 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 (6) months or both. Title 16 USC 551 and Title 18 USC 3559 and 3571.