

Helena National Forest Service  
2880 Skyway Drive  
Helena, MT 59602

EMERGENCY CLOSURE ORDER

Being in an area on National Forest System Land

Pursuant to 36 CFR 261.50(a), the following acts are prohibited on the Helena National Forest:

**Going into or being upon any area which is closed for the protection of Public Health or Safety. (36 CFR 261.53e).**

**The reason for these area closures is for carbaryl spraying. Pine trees are being sprayed to protect them from the mountain pine beetle. For health and public safety, the areas are closed 1 day prior and 2 days after spraying operations. Closures will occur sometime between June 5 and June 29, 2012, depending on weather conditions.**

**The affected areas include the Pine Grove dispersed camping area, Cellar Ogilvie Test Plantation, Long Gulch Test Plantation, and individual whitebark pine trees at the Granite Butte Lookout and on Duck Creek Pass. No roads will be closed. Specific areas will be posted to identify the hazard and the closure.**

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

1. Persons with a permit specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission.
2. Any Federal, State or Local Law Enforcement Officer or member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.

These prohibitions are in addition to the general prohibitions in 36 CFR Part 261, Subpart A.

Executed in Helena, Montana, this 6<sup>TH</sup> day of June 2012.



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Forest Supervisor

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