

AREA CLOSURE for PUBLIC SAFETY

OKANOGAN-WENATCHEE NATIONAL FOREST

Pursuant to 36 CFR 261.50(a) and (b), the following acts are prohibited on the Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest:

Back ground: Due to the large complex of fires occurring on the Wenatchee River Ranger District and fire fighter operations, closed areas are to maintain both public and fire fighter safety.

1. **To go into or be upon any area closed for protection of public health or safety.** For the purposes of this order, it is prohibited to enter or be within National Forest System lands, roads, or trails within the area of the Wenatchee River Ranger District closure area consisting of:

South and East Boundary: Within the Alpine Lakes Wilderness from Mount Stuart (T23N R16E Section 19) along Icicle Creek watershed boundary east to Dragon tail Peak (T23N R16E Section 15). From Dragon tail Peak northeast to Cannon Mountain (T23N R16E Section 11). From Cannon Mountain northeast to Alpine Lakes Wilderness boundary, and north to the Icicle River Road (T24N R17E Section 30).

North and West Boundary: South of Icicle River west to trail # 1558, following south to trail # 1555 and east along Trail # 1554 to Windy Pass, south to Mount Stuart.

Note: Trails # 1558, 1555, and 1554 are open to public use. Campgrounds along Icicle River Road are open during this closure.

[36 CFR 261.53(e)]

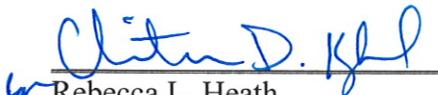
This closure is effective as of **Oct.--04th, 2012** and will remain in effect until terminated.

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, including Washington State employees in performance of an official duty, and their authorized contractors.
2. Any Federal, State or local officer, or a member of any organized search and rescue, emergency services, or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.
3. Any private land owner exercising an existing right to access their own private property which is otherwise within the closure area as described above.

This prohibition is in addition to the general prohibitions in 36 CFR Part 261, Subpart A.

Done at Wenatchee, Washington this 04th day of October, 2012.


Rebecca L. Heath

Forest Supervisor
Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest

Violations of these prohibitions are punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000 for an individual or \$10,000 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than 6 months, or both. (16 USC 551 And 18 USC 3559 and 3571)

Assessment of Need and Enforcement Plan

1. Background.

2. Intent of Subpart B order. This order provides for public and agency personnel safety..

3. Enforcement Plan. The following activities need to occur to implement this special order in a manner that results in public acceptance and safety:

<u>Action</u>	<u>Responsible Official</u>	<u>Date</u>
Prepare proposed order	Staff with LE input	10/04/2012
Review proposed order	Law Enforcement	10/04/2012
Approve proposed order	Forest Supervisor	10/04/2012
Post order in accordance with 36 CFR 261.51	District Staff	10/04/2012
Prepare news release for local media describing the order and management objectives	District PIO	10/04/2012
Describe implementation/action taken for order, such as planned patrols, enforcement strategies, tolerance, contacts to local public agencies. Implement plan.	District FPOs, other District staff, Chelan County Deputies	10/04/2012

Enforcement Plan approved for implementation:

/s/ 

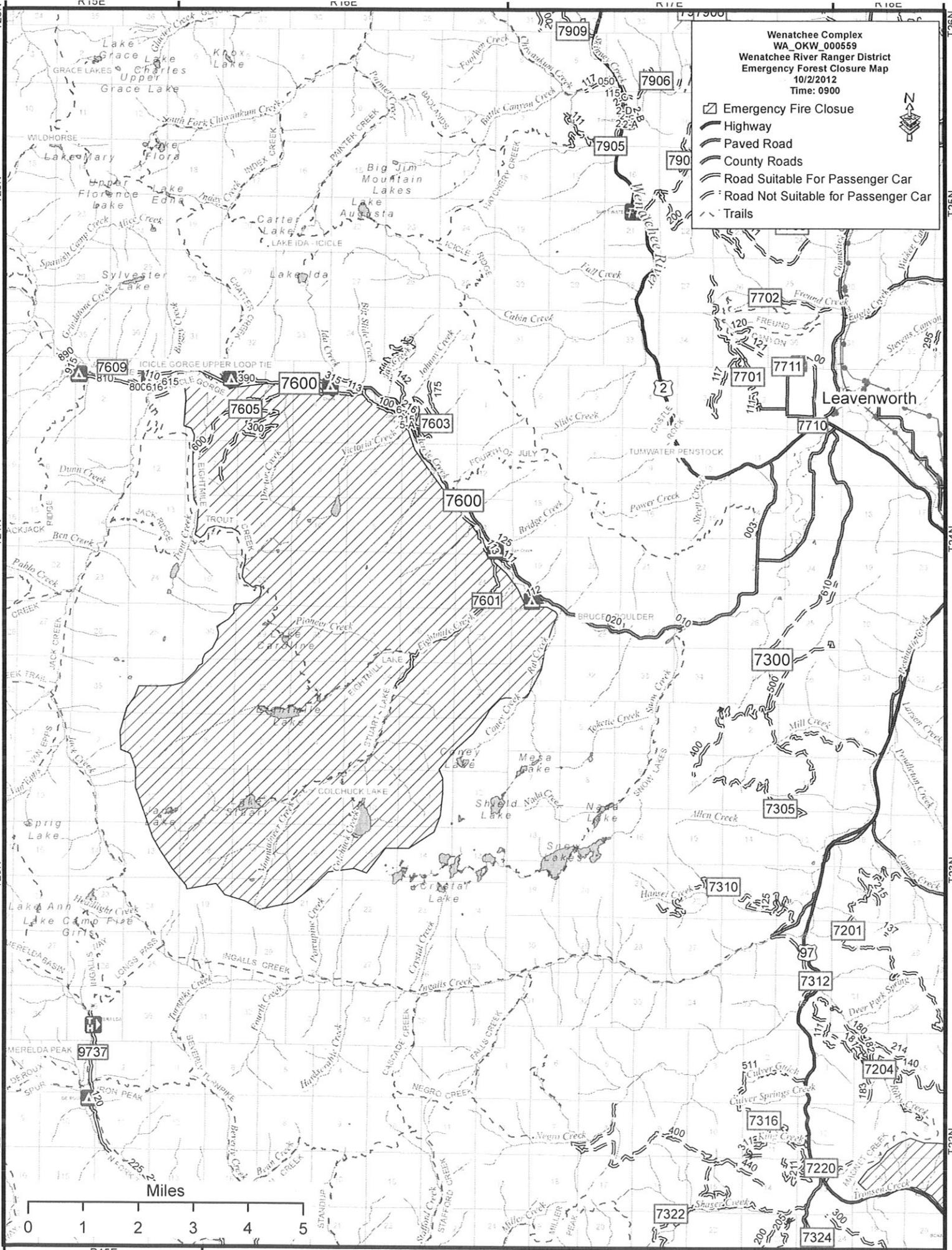
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10/04/2012

Date

Wenatchee Complex
 WA_OKW_000559
Wenatchee River Ranger District
Emergency Forest Closure Map
 10/2/2012
 Time: 0900

-  Emergency Fire Closure
-  Highway
-  Paved Road
-  County Roads
-  Road Suitable For Passenger Car
-  Road Not Suitable for Passenger Car
-  Trails



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