

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
UNITED STATES FOREST SERVICE  
NANTAHALA NATIONAL FOREST  
NANTAHALA RANGER DISTRICT, FRANKLIN, NC

ORDER NO. 08-11-11-23-162

FOREST ORDER

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 551 and 36 CFR 261.50 (a) and (b), for the protection of public health and safety, the following acts are prohibited in the Southside Reoffer Timber Sale Area, including Brushy Mountain Road (#4568), Jacks Branch Road (#624), Lower Jacks Branch Road (#624A) on the Nantahala Ranger District of the **Nantahala National Forest**, as indicated on the associated map. This Order goes into effect when signed and shall remain in effect for two calendar years or until rescinded by an authorized Forest Service official, whichever occurs first.

1. **Going into or being upon or in the area of closure (this includes all forms of presence, including as a pedestrian or by any and all other means). 36 CFR 261.53 (e) and (f), 36 CFR 261.52 (e)**
2. **Being on the roads of closure (this includes all forms of presence, including as a pedestrian or by any and all other means). 36 CFR 261.54 (e)**

ROAD AND AREA CLOSURE

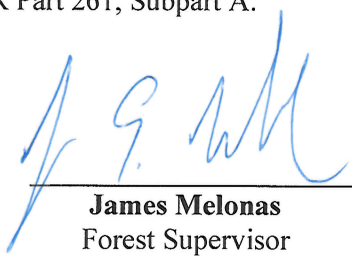
Brushy Mountain Road (FDR 4568), Jacks Branch Road (FDR 624), Lower Jacks Branch Road (FDR 624A).  
Southside Reoffer Timber Sale Area

Pursuant to 36 CFR 261.50(e) the following persons are exempt from the above prohibitions:

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

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

Executed in Asheville, North Carolina, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2023.

  
**James Melonas**  
Forest Supervisor  
National Forest in North Carolina

A violation of these prohibitions is 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, 3571 and 3581.