



**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
FOREST SERVICE
DAKOTA PRAIRIE GRASSLANDS
MEDORA RANGER DISTRICT – DICKINSON, NORTH DAKOTA**

SUPERVISOR'S ORDER

Road Closure- National Forest System Roads ##747 and 7471

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 551 and 36 C.F.R. § 261.50(b), the following is prohibited on the National Forest System Roads on the Medora Ranger District, Dakota Prairie Grassland, described below and shown on the map attached and incorporated into this order as Exhibit A (the "Described Roads").

PROHIBITION:

1. **Being on the road. 36 C.F.R. § 261.54(e).**

EXEMPTIONS:

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

(1) Persons with Forest Service Permit No. FS-7700-48 (Permit for Use of Roads, Trails, or Areas Restricted by Regulation or Order), specifically exempting them from this Order or a written determination by a Forest Service authorized officer that a permit is not required under 36 C.F.R. § 251.50(e)(1) or (2).

(2) Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.

ROAD CLOSURE DESCRIPTION:

The closure applies to:

- 1) Approximately half a mile of National Forest System Road 747 from milepost 2.05 to milepost 2.55.
- 2) All of National Forest System Road 7471.

PURPOSE:

This closure is for public safety due to construction activities for the Theodore Roosevelt Presidential Library.

IMPLEMENTATION:

1. This Order shall be in effect from the date of signature through December 31, 2026 at 11:59 PM, unless rescinded.
2. A map identifying the Described Road is attached and made part of this Order as Exhibit A. For a digital version of this Order and Exhibit A, go to <https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/dpg/alerts-notices>.
3. Unless otherwise expressly defined in this Order, the terms used in this Order are defined by the regulations of the Secretary of Agriculture, 36 C.F.R. Chapter II, Parts 200-299. If there are terms in this Order that are not expressly defined in the Order or 36 C.F.R. Chapter II, Parts 200-299, their meaning shall be determined by their plain language definitions.
4. A violation of the above prohibitions is punishable as a Class B misdemeanor by a fine of not more than \$5,000 for individuals and \$10,000 for organizations, or by imprisonment for not more than six months, or both. 16 U.S.C. § 551; 18 U.S.C. §§ 3559, 3571, and 3581.
5. Contact the Medora Ranger District in Dickinson, ND @ (701) 227-7800, and Dakota Prairie Grasslands Forest Supervisor's Office in Bismarck, ND (701) 227-7300 for more information about this Order.

These prohibitions are in addition to the general prohibitions in 36 C.F.R. Part 261, Subpart A.

VIOLATION:

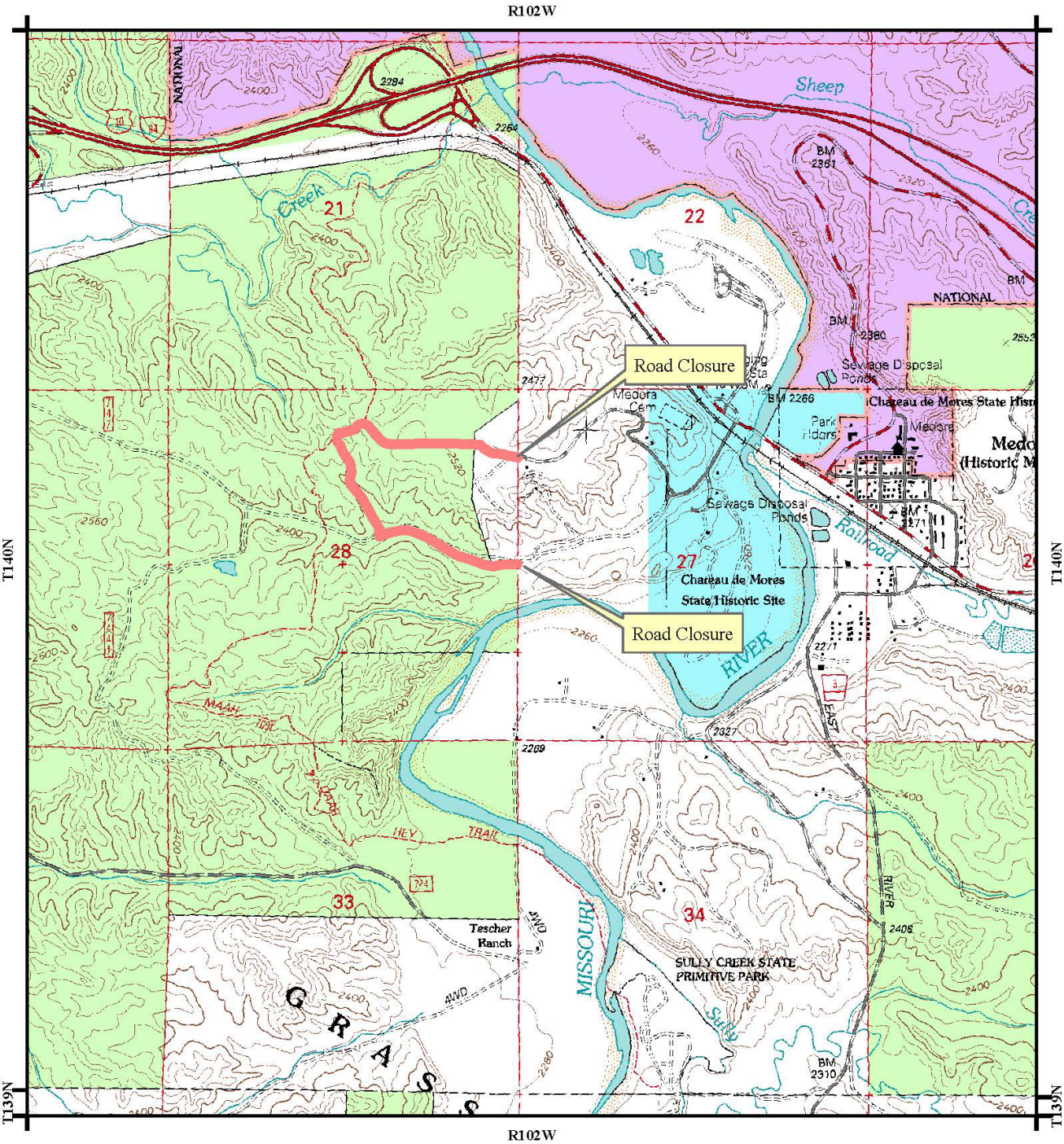
Violation of these prohibitions is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000 for an individual or \$10,000 for an organization, imprisonment for not more than 6 months, or both. (16 U.S.C. §551 and 18 U.S.C. §§ 3559, 3571(b)(6) and 3581(b)(7).

INFORMATION:

Further information regarding this Order may be obtained at the Medora Ranger District Office located at 99 23rd Ave West Suite B, Dickinson, North Dakota, (701) 227-7800, and at the Dakota Prairie Grasslands Supervisor's Office located at 2000 Miriam Circle, Bismarck, North Dakota, (701) 989-7300.

Executed in Bismarck, North Dakota, this 16th day of August, 2024.

Bethany Ihle
Grasslands Supervisor



Attachment A

Road Closure (Segments of 747 & 7471)

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| Road Closure | National Grassland | National Park Service |
| Non Federal | State | |

Assessment of Need and Enforcement Plan

1. Background:

The Forest Service is committed to the safety of all those who utilize their public lands. These roads are within areas that will be impacted by construction of the Theodore Roosevelt Presidential Library. Construction traffic on NFSR 747 and 7471 provide for unsafe conditions for general public travel.

2. Intent of Subpart B order:

The intent of the following order is to protect public safety by restricting access to these roads during construction periods for the library.

3. Enforcement:

Enforcement of the closure forest order will be a combination of signing, public information, personal contacts and law enforcement actions. The following summarizes the enforcement goals with respect to this closure order:

- The goal will be to ensure that people are informed of the closure order. This will initially be promulgated through contacts and information releases before the special order goes into effect.
- LEO's & FPO's will endeavor to enforce the order through patrols and contacts when available to do so. Enforcement with a warning or citation will be at the discretion of the Law Enforcement Officer or Forest Protection Officer.

4: Posting:

Current posting will be modified to reflect the new prohibition. Posting will be completed by the Forest Staff and will be posted at a minimum on the Dakota Prairie Grasslands web page, the District office and signage in the immediate area of the closure.

ORDER CHECKLIST

<u>Action</u>	<u>Responsible Official(s)</u>	<u>Initials/Date</u>
Prepare proposed Order	Appropriate staff(s)	_____
NEPA requirements completed	Appropriate staff	_____
CRIA requirements completed	Appropriate staff	_____
Prepare enforcement plan	LEI with appropriate staff input	
Review proposed Order & approve enforcement plan	Patrol Captain or Special Agent in Charge	
Review by OGC	Regional OGC	HOB
Approve Order	Forest Supervisor or Regional Forester (Deputy or Acting Should Not Sign)	_____
Post Order (36 CFR 261.51)	District Ranger/Forest Supervisor	_____
Prepare news releases for Order describing the order and management objectives. Describe implementation/action taken for order, such as planned patrols, enforcement strategies, tolerance, contacts to local public agencies.	PAO (with Appropriate Staff/LEI)	_____
Implement plan	LEO/field going personnel	<u>T. Sherman</u>
Complete Case File Filing	Order Records Officer	_____