National Forest System Trails

Okanogan - Wenatchee National Forest

Pursuant to Title 36 CFR 261.50(b), the following act is prohibited on the trails described below, within the Okanogan and Wenatchee National Forests, Methow Valley Ranger District, effective July , 2011. This closure is in effect until further notice to provide public safety.

- Being on the Chancellor Trail #754 from the intersection with Mill Creek (Sec. 11, T37N, R16E) to the intersection with Canyon Creek at Cedar Crossing (Sec. 36, T38N, R16E). 36 CFR 261.55(a)
- 2. Being on the Chancellor Trail #754 with stock from the intersection with Boulder Creek (Sec. 10, T37N, R16E) to the intersection with Mill Creek (Sec. 11, T37N, R16E). 36 CFR 261.55(c)

Enforcement Plan: Notices will be posted at trailheads and at trail intersections.

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

- Persons with a permit specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission.
- 2. Any Federal, State, or local officer or member of an organized search and rescue or firefighting force in the performance of official business.
- 3. Forest Service employees on official business.

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

Done at Wenatchee, Washington, this 8th day of July , 2011

Rebecca Lockett Heath

Forest Supervisor

Okanogan - Wenatchee National Forest

Violation of this prohibition is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000.00 for an individual or \$10,000 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than 6 months, or both. Title 16 USC Section 551 and USC 3559 and 3571.

Assessment of Need and Enforcement Plan

- 1. <u>Background</u>. The Chancellor Trail #754 has several slides which have obliterated the trail or made it impassable to stock.
- 2. <u>Intent of Subpart B order</u>. The trail in the Boulder Creek section can't be safely crossed with stock due to narrow tread and cliffs. The section near Cedar Creek crossing has been obliterated by a slide and would require crossing an unstable steep slope with a swift flowing stream at the bottom. The intent is to reduce risk to the safety and health of the public that may want to use the trail.
- 3. <u>Enforcement Plan</u>. The following activities need to occur to implement this special order in a manner that results in public acceptance and safety:

Action	Responsible Official	<u>Date</u>
Prepare proposed order	Appropriate Staff with LE&I input	06/28/2011
Review proposed order	SLEO or Supervisory Special Agent	06/29/2011
Approve proposed order	Forest Supervisor	06/30/2011
Post order in accordance with 36 CFR 261.51	District Staff Officer and Staff	06/30/2011
Prepare news release for local media describing the order and management objectives	District Ranger PAO LEO	06/30/2011
Describe implementation/action taken for order, such as planned patrols, enforcement strategies, tolerance, contacts to local public agencies. Implement plan.	Appropriate Staff LEO/field going personnel	06/30/2011

Enforcement Plan approved for implementation: Signs will be placed at trailheads and trail intersections.

FOREST SUPERVISOR

DATE



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06/29/2011 02:02 PM

To Bob C Eck/R6/USDAFS@BPOS

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Subject Re: Azurite CFR

I concur





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Thanks for moving this along with the others Mike

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Robert Moelder/R6/USDAFS

07/08/2011 07:52 AM

To Naomi A Forsberg/R6/USDAFS@FSNOTES

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Subject Re: Azurite CFR

I concur

Robert "Moe" Moelder Patrol Captain NCWZ LEI Naomi A Forsberg

---- Original Message -----

From: Naomi A Forsberg

Sent: 07/07/2011 11:55 AM PDT

To: Robert Moelder

Subject: Fw: Azurite CFR

Mo, here is another one from the Methow. It is for Chancellor and not Azurite as it says. Thanks.



Naomi (Noni) Forsberg

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