

ORDER NUMBER 312

Wallowa-Whitman National Forest
La Grande Ranger District

AREA CLOSURES

Pursuant to 36 CFR Section 261.50 (a) and (b), until further notice, the following acts are prohibited in the La Grande Ranger District within the below listed areas on the Wallowa-Whitman National Forest.

STARKEY BIG GAME RESEARCH AREA and MEADOW CREEK STUDY AREA

The area enclosed by the Starkey Big Game Fence located in T. 3 S., R. 34 E., Sections 7, 8, 14 through 23, 26 through 35; T. 4 S., R. 34 E., Sections 1 through 24, 26 through 29. The fenced and posted area along Meadow Creek of the La Grande Ranger District in T. 3 S., R. 33 1/2 E., Section 24: T. 3 S., R. 34 E., Section 19. Willamette Meridian.

1. To go into or be upon any area or road from December 15 to April 30 for the protection of scientific experiments or investigations (36 CFR 261.53 (d)).
2. Closed yearlong to all Motorized Vehicles except routes listed below which are OPEN ROUTES from May 1 to December 14. (36 CFR 261.54 (a)).


OPEN ROUTES: Road Nos. 2105, 2105095, 2105140 (Open from 2105 to 2105095), 2105360, 2120, 2120100, 2120300 (Open to 2120310).

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

1. Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of official emergency duties.
2. Federal or State personnel performing official research duties in connection with the Starkey Project.
3. Persons with a permit issued by the Starkey Experimental Forest Area Manager or their designated representative specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act.

Done at Baker City, Oregon this 2nd day of August, 1995.



R. M. RICHMOND
Forest Supervisor 

Violation of these prohibitions is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5000.00 or imprisonment for not more than six months or both. Title 16 USC Section 551.

JUSTIFICATION

This Order replaces ORDER NUMBER 60, 114, and the need to write a new order each winter like order #302. With this proposed order, the constraints of order 302 are enacted automatically each year. It also gives the Starkey Experimental Forest Area Manager authority to issue road permits.

LAW ENFORCEMENT

Law enforcement will be by La Grande Ranger District and Starkey Experimental Forest personnel while they are working in the area. If violations are observed, they will note a description of the vehicle and/or individual, and report this to an authorized Level IV officer who will issue a Notice of Violation. ODF&W and Oregon State Police will assist as the need arises, ie. hunting seasons.

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