



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
FOREST SERVICE
GIFFORD PINCHOT NATIONAL FOREST
VANCOUVER, WASHINGTON

FOREST ORDER NO. 06-03-01-22-02
MOUNT MARGARET BACKCOUNTRY PROHIBITIONS

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 551 and 36 C.F.R. § 261.50 (a), the following acts are prohibited in the Mount Margaret Backcountry of the Mount St. Helens National Volcanic Monument within the Gifford Pinchot National Forest. The Mount Margaret Backcountry is described in Exhibit A and shown in Exhibit B. This Order is effective from **June 21, 2022 through June 21, 2024.**

PROHIBITIONS:

1. Camping. 36 C.F.R. § 261.58(e);
2. Building, maintaining, attending or using a fire, campfire, or stove fire. 36 C.F.R. § 261.52 (a);
3. Landing of aircraft, or dropping or picking up any material, supplies, or person by means of an aircraft, including a helicopter. 36 C.F.R. § 261.58 (y);
4. Riding, hitching, tethering or hobbling a horse or other saddle or pack animal in violation of posted instructions. 36 C.F.R. § 261.58(aa); and
5. Using a bicycle, vehicle or motorized vehicle on any trail. 36 C.F.R. § 261.55(b).

EXEMPTIONS:


Pursuant to 36 C.F.R. § 261.50(e), the following persons are exempt from this order:

1. Persons with a permit specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission.
2. Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of any organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty;
3. Persons using stoves or heating devices with gas, propane, alcohol, and tablet/cube fuel sources;
4. Persons operating unmanned aircraft systems in the Mount Margaret Backcountry provided they are operated north of the Boundary Trail (FS-1) in accordance with all FAA regulations; and
5. Bicycles on the following trails sections:
 - Boundary Trail #1 from the junction with Coldwater Trail (230) to the Norway Pass Trailhead.
 - Coldwater Trail (230).

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

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 U.S.C. § 551; 18 U.S.C. §§ 3551, 3559, 3571, and 3581).

Executed in Vancouver, WA this 21st day of June 2022.


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MOUNT MARGARET BACKCOUNTRY PROHIBITIONS - Exhibit A

The boundary of the Mount Margaret Backcountry begins at the point of beginning (POB) where Forest Road 26 crosses the north boundary of the Mount St. Helens National Volcanic Monument; then continues south along the west edge of Forest Road 26 to Norway Pass Trailhead; then west along the north edge of trailhead parking area to Boundary Trail (FS-1); then west along the south edge of FS-1 to Independence Pass Trail (FS-227A); then south along the west edge of FS-227A to the Independence Ridge Trail (FS-227); then north along the east edge of FS-227 to Boundary Trail (FS-1); then continues west along the south edge of FS-1 (Boundary Trail) to its junction with South Coldwater Ridge Trail (FS-230); then continues north along the west edge of FS-230 to its junction with Lakes Trail (FS-211); then continues west along north edge of FS-211 until it crosses Minnie Creek; then north along the west bank of Minnie Creek to the summit of Minnie Peak in Section 21, T10N, R5E; then west along the ridgetop to the Mount St. Helens National Volcanic Monument boundary; then north along the monument boundary to Miner's Creek in Section 8, T10N, R5E; then north along the west bank of Miner's Creek to Green River Trail (FS-213) in Section 32, T11N, R5E; then east along the south edge of FS-213 to the Mount St. Helens National Volcanic Monument boundary in Section 11, T10N, R5E; the east along the monument boundary until Forest Road 26, the Point of Beginning (POB). The Mount Margaret Backcountry Boundary as shown on the Map (Exhibit B).

Exhibit B- Mount Margaret Backcountry Area Map



Exhibit B: Mt. Margaret Backcountry Area Map
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Not to Scale

