

**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
UNITED STATES FOREST SERVICE
CHEROKEE NATIONAL FOREST
CLEVELAND, TENNESSE**

ORDER NO. 08-04-05-22-111

FOREST ORDER

Pursuant to 36 CFR, Subpart B Section 261.50 (a), it is hereby ordered that the prohibition hereinafter set forth applies to the Chestoa Recreation Area and the immediately surrounding Forest Service lands between Unaka Springs Road, the railroad tracks parallel to Jones Branch Road, the Chestoa Pike Bridge, and the Jones Branch train trestle on the Unaka Ranger District, within the Cherokee National Forest, as shown on the attached map. This order is in effect for 2 years of the signature date or until rescinded by the Forest Supervisor, whichever comes first.

1. Camping within the closed area. **36 CFR 261.58(e)**
2. Being in the closed area after sundown or before sunrise. **36 CFR 261.58(l)**

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

1. Persons with a special use 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 Cleveland, Tennessee, this 7th day of July, 2022.



Michael Wright
Acting Forest Supervisor
Cherokee National Forest

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.

**Closure Order
Chestoa Recreation Area
Unaka Ranger District
Cherokee National Forest**

Chestoa Pike Bridge




Railroad Tracks

Unaka Springs Road

Jones Branch
Train Trestle



Legend

-  Chestoa Recreation Area
-  Area Closed By Order, limited to Day-Use Only, No Camping
-  Cherokee National Forest

