

**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
UNITED STATES FOREST SERVICE
NATIONAL FOREST IN NORTH CAROLINA
NANTHALA NATIONAL FOREST
CHEOAH RANGER DISTRICT
ROBBINSVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA**

ORDER NO. 08-11-02-21-154

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. §551 and 36 C.F.R. §§ 261.50 (a) and (b), the following act is prohibited on all lands administered by the Nantahala National Forest within 300 feet of the shoreline of Santeetlah Lake and within 300 feet of Panther Creek Road (State Highway 1232) on the Cheoah Ranger District in Graham County, North Carolina. This closure is effective from the date this Order is signed by the Forest Supervisor until December 1, 2023, or until terminated by an authorized Forest Service official, whichever occurs first.

Camping, unless specifically posted as being authorized. 36 C.F.R. 261.58(e)

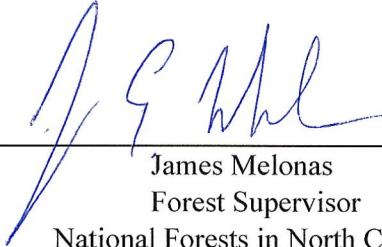
Pursuant to 36 C.F.R. § 261.50(e), the following persons are exempt from this order:

1. Persons with a special use permit specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited actor omission, issued by the District Ranger.
2. Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.

These prohibitions are in addition to:

- (a) the general prohibitions in 36 C.F.R. §§ 261.1-261.23 (Subpart A);
- (b) other Orders currently in effect pursuant to 36 C.F.R. §§261.50-261.58 (Subpart B); and
- (c) all other Regional Regulations at 36 C.F.R. § 261.70 (Subpart C).

Executed in Asheville, North Carolina, this 14th day of February, 2023.



James Melonas
Forest Supervisor
National Forests in North Carolina

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.