

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
FOREST SERVICE  
Wallowa-Whitman National Forest  
Hells Canyon National Recreation Area  
FOREST ORDER NO. 06-16-04-23-01

Restrictions on Domestic Sheep or Goats within the Hells Canyon National Recreation Area

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 551 and 36 CFR 261.50(a) and (b), the following prohibition is established within the entire Hells Canyon National Recreation Area of the Wallowa-Whitman National Forest. This order will become effective May 1, 2023, and will remain in effect until May 1, 2026 unless rescinded sooner.

**Prohibitions**

1. Possessing, storing, or transporting any domestic sheep or goat. 36 CFR 261.58(s).

**Area Affected by this Order**

The area affected by this order is all Forest Service Lands within the Congressionally designated boundaries of the Hells Canyon National Recreation Area, See Exhibit A

**Exemptions**

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

1. Persons with Forest Service Permit No. FS-7700-48 (Permit for Use of Roads, Trails, or Areas Restricted by Regulation or Order), specifically exempting them from this Order.
2. Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.

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

**Violations of these prohibitions are 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 six (6) months, or both, for each offense. [16 U.S.C. 551 and 18 U.S.C. 3551, 3559, 3571, and 3581]**

Executed in Baker City, Oregon this 1<sup>st</sup> day of May 2023.

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**Assessment of Need and Enforcement Plan**

**Wallowa-Whitman National Forest**  
**Hells Canyon National Recreation Area**

**Background:** The intent of this order is to protect the health and viability of bighorn sheep, a Region 6 sensitive species, on their core habitat, until a thorough risk assessment can be completed

**Intent of Subpart B Order:** The intent of this order is to provide short-term resource protection, specifically for bighorn sheep populations.

**Enforcement Plan:** Forest Service LEOs, SAs and FPOs will patrol and enforce the order during normal routine patrols. All signing will be maintained to ensure that the public is informed and to facilitate support by concerned citizens.

Action	Responsible Official	Date
Prepare proposed order	Darren Goodding, Customer Services Staff Officer	3/16/2023
Forest review of proposed order	Executive Assistant	
LEI Review proposed order	Jesus Armenta, Patrol Captain	4/17/2023
OGC review proposed order	OGC Assigns	4/20/2023
Approve proposed order(s)	Shaun McKinney, Forest Supervisor	
Public outreach effort – website / social media	Public Affairs Officer	
Post Order in accordance with 36 CFR 261.51.	District/HCNRA Staff	
Enforcement of closure order	LEOs, SAs, and Forest Protection Officers	

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**CIVIL RIGHTS IMPACTS ANALYSIS**  
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**CIVIL RIGHTS IMPACT ANALYSIS**

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**Purpose**

The purpose for developing a civil rights impact analysis is to provide the Forest Service decision maker information concerning potential civil rights impacts of the proposed action. Civil rights impacts are those which could affect the agency's ability to ensure equal opportunity in employment and in delivery of programs and services.

**Favorable Impacts**

Protect the health and viability of bighorn sheep, a Region 6 sensitive species, on their core habitat, until a thorough risk assessment can be completed.

**Unfavorable Impacts**

Restrict the possession, storing, or transporting of any domestic sheep or goats within the prohibition area boundaries.

**Mitigation Measures**

No mitigation measures are proposed because the purpose of this order is to provide for short-term resource protection.

**Social Impacts**

The proposed action does not impose any unreasonable adverse impacts on the civil rights of any individuals. The use restriction applies to all members of the public. The restriction is temporary and of general applicability. The benefits are reasonable, as compared to the unfavorable impacts.

**Net Civil Rights Impact**

No net negative Civil Rights Impacts would occur because the use restriction is general in applicability.

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