

**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
FOREST SERVICE  
WALLOWA-WHITMAN NATIONAL FOREST**

**PITTSBURG LANDING FOOD STORAGE PROHIBITION  
ORDER NUMBER: 06-16-04-23-08**

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 551 and 36 CFR § 261.50(a) & (b), for the purpose of minimizing adverse interactions between humans, bears and other wildlife, and provide for visitor safety, the following acts are prohibited within the Hells Canyon National Recreation Area of the Wallowa-Whitman National Forest within the area described below and shown in Exhibit A. Also attached, and hereby made part of this Order, Exhibit B - Definitions of terms used in support of the restrictions. This Order is effective beginning 12:01 A.M. July 24, 2023, through 11:59 P.M. December 31, 2023, unless rescinded earlier.

PROHIBITIONS:

- 1. Possessing or storing any food or refuse, except as specified under this order 36 CFR 261.58(cc)**
- 2. Possessing, storing, or transporting any bird, fish, or other animal or parts thereof, except as specified under this order 36 CFR 261.58(s)**

PROHIBITION AREA DESCRIPTION:

All Wallowa-Whitman National Forest System lands within the following boundary:

Starting at the intersection of the Deer Creek Road (Idaho County Road #493) and Upper Pittsburg Landing Road (Idaho County Road #493A), then following the Upper Pittsburg Landing Road South to the Snake River Trailhead, and then goes due West approximately 250' to the Snake River. The Area boundary then follows the Snake River North to the confluence with Kurry Creek, continues East along Kurry Creek to the intersection with Deer Creek Road, and East along Deer Creek Road to the point of origin.

EXEMPTIONS:

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

1. Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or fire-fighting force in the performance of an official duty.
2. Persons with a Forest Service special use authorization or other authorization specifically exempting them from the effect of this Order.
3. Any Federal or State officer placing baits to capture animals for research or management purposes as part of their official duties.

This prohibition is in addition to the general prohibitions in 36 CFR Part 261, Subpart A.

Violations of this prohibition 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, 3571, and 3581).

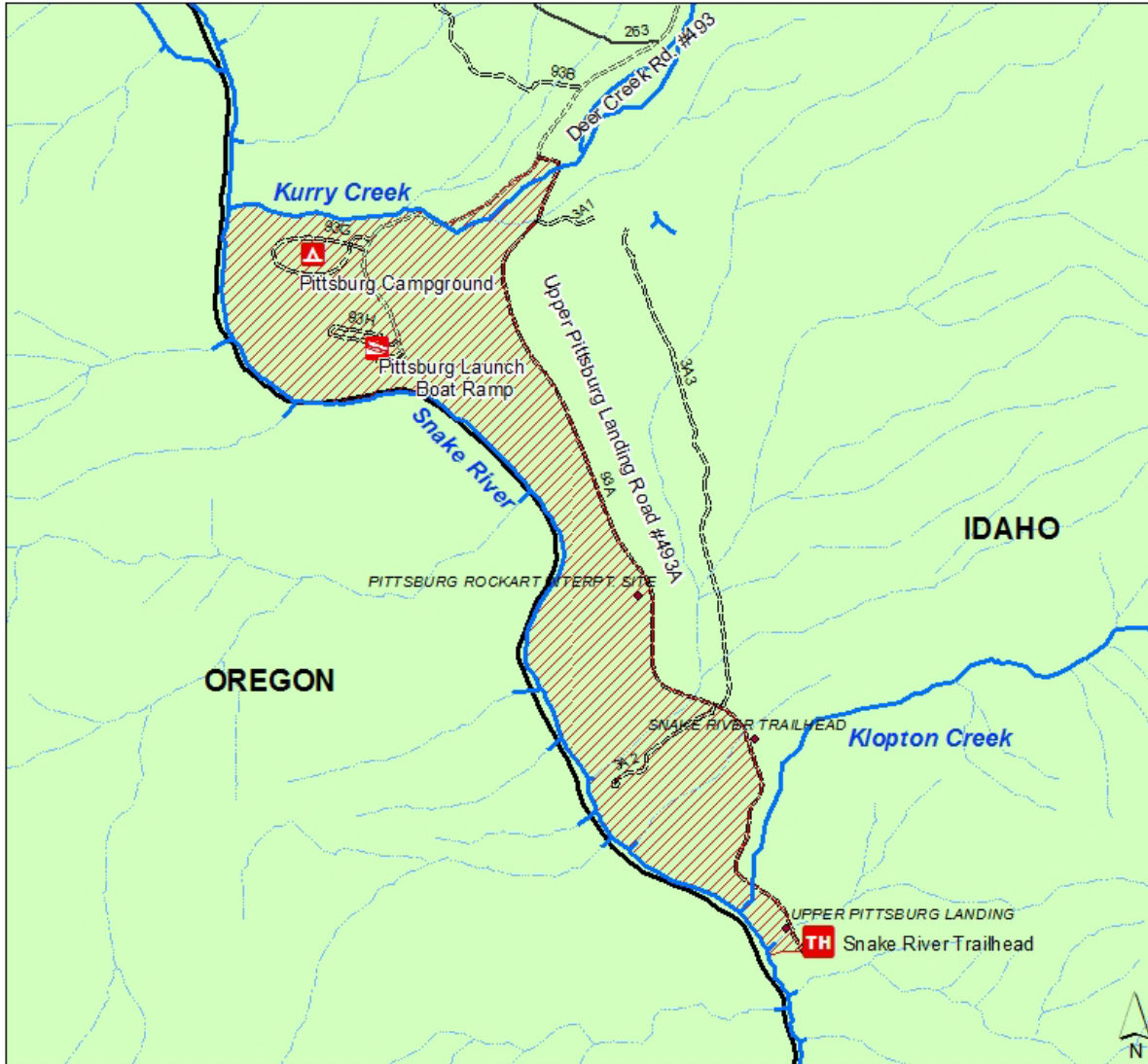
Executed in Baker City, Oregon, this 21<sup>st</sup> day of July 2023.

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Wallowa-Whitman National Forest



# Wallowa-Whitman National Forest Hells Canyon NRA

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Exhibit A



### Legend

- Prohibition Area
- State Boundary
- Trailhead
- Campground
- Boat Ramp
- Collector Road
- Local Road
- Off Forest Road
- Perennial Stream/Creek
- Intermittent Stream/Creek

0.25 0.125 0 0.25 Miles



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**EXHIBIT B**  
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**WALLOWA-WHITMAN NATIONAL FOREST**

*Occupancy and Use*  
Definitions – Food Storage

1. **"Food and Refuse" means:** any substance, solid or liquid (excluding water, baled hay, or hay cubes without additives) or refuse, which is or may be eaten or otherwise taken into the body to sustain health or life, provide energy, or promote growth of any person or animal. Also includes items such as soft drinks, alcoholic beverages, canned foods, pet foods, processed livestock feed and grains, personal hygiene products, and empty food and beverage containers.
2. **"Animal carcass" means:** dead body or parts thereof, of any harvested mammal; bird, or fish, including the head or skull plate with antlers or horns and hide or cape of big game animals and any domestic livestock that may be found in the restricted area. Packaged or prepared animal carcass products transported into the restricted area for consumption, game birds, small mammals, or fish harvested for consumption in the restricted area are considered food under the previous definition.
3. **"Acceptably stored" means:**
  - a. Stored in bear-resistant container certified through the Interagency Grizzly Bear Committee (IGBC) Courtesy Inspection Program. A container may be certified by the local District Ranger or their designated representative(s) if it meets the IGBC criteria, or
  - b. Stored in a closed, hard-sided vehicle constructed of solid, non-pliable material that, when secured, will not allow a bear entry by breaking, bending, tearing, biting, or pulling with its claws (any windows in the vehicle must be closed), or
  - c. Stored by other methods approved in a permit issued by the Forest Supervisor responsible for the area where the method is proposed for use.
  - d. Stored within an IGBC approved and operating electric fence.
  - e. Animal carcasses are considered acceptably stored when located more than ½ mile from a camping or sleeping area or stored according to methods outlined in 3(a)-(d) above.
4. **"Acceptably possessed" means:**
  - a. Possessed or attended by a person who is awake, alert, and within 100 feet and line-of-sight of the items; or
  - b. Possessed or attended by such a person(s) for the purpose of field-dressing awfully taken animal carcasses, transporting any food or animal carcass, preparing any animal carcass or food for eating, or eating any food.
5. **"Camping/sleeping area" means:** National Forest System Lands temporarily used for the purpose of overnight occupancy without a permanently fixed structure or lands temporarily occupied by unattended camping equipment.