

**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

**U. S. FOREST SERVICE**

**SUMTER NATIONAL FOREST, SOUTH CAROLINA  
CHATTAHOOCHEE NATIONAL FOREST, GEORGIA**

Order No. FMS-13-01

**CHATTOOGA RIVER CORRIDOR**

Pursuant to 36 CFR 261.50(a) and (b), it is hereby ordered that the prohibitions hereinafter set forth apply to the CHATTOOGA WILD AND SCENIC RIVER CORRIDOR, on the Sumter and Chattahoochee National Forests. This closure order is effective from July 25, 2013, through July 25, 2023.

1. Building, maintaining, attending or using a fire, campfire or stove fire within 50 feet of the Chattooga River or any of its tributaries within the corridor. [36 CFR 261.52(a)]
2. Camping within 50 feet of the Chattooga River or any of its tributaries or within 50 feet of a maintained trail or within one-quarter mile of any roadway. [36 CFR 261.58(e)]

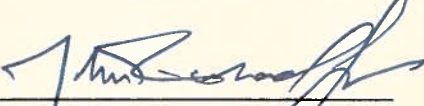
**EXCEPTION to 1 and 2 above: Persons occupying areas designated for camping and posted with an official sign. [36 CFR 261.50(e)(6)]**


3. Being publicly nude. [36 CFR 261.58(j)]

Pursuant to 36 CFR, Section 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 an organized rescue or fire fighting force in performance of an official duty.

Done this 20<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2013.

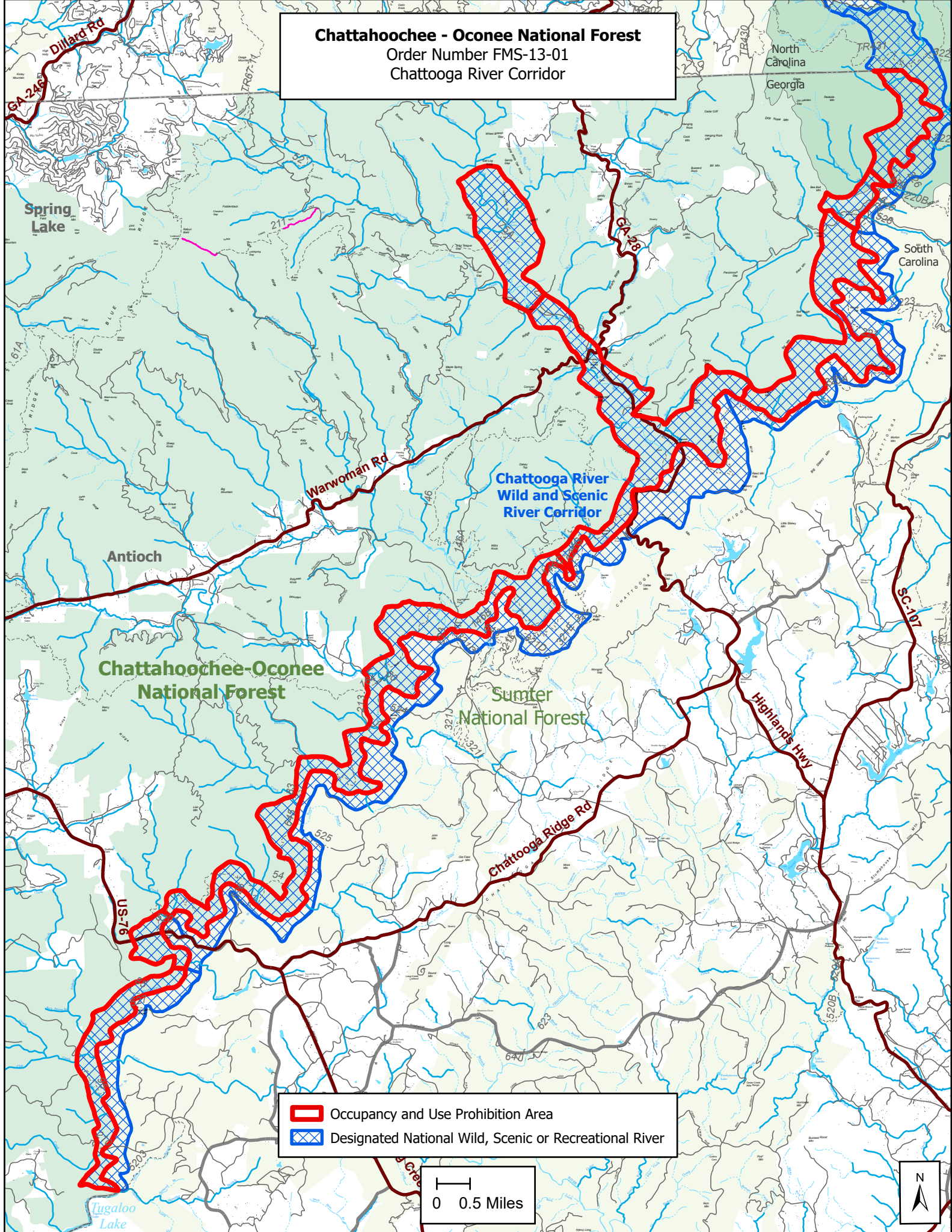
  
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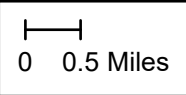
# Chattahoochee - Oconee National Forest

Order Number FMS-13-01

Chattooga River Corridor



-  Occupancy and Use Prohibition Area
-  Designated National Wild, Scenic or Recreational River





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**Date:** July 25, 2023

**Route To:**

**Subject:** Extension of Forest Closure Orders

**To:** Forest Leadership Team, Frontliners, Law Enforcement and Public Affairs

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 551 and 36 C.F.R. § 261.50(a) and (b), for the protection of public health and safety, the following closure orders applicable to the Chattahoochee-Oconee National Forest are extended while undergoing analysis and review:

- CO-13-01 - Occupancy and Use - Morganton Point Campground and Recreation Area - Blue Ridge Ranger District (RD) - Chattahoochee-Oconee National Forest (NF)
- CO-13-02 - Occupancy and Use - Davenport Mountain ATV Trail and Beasley Knob OHV Area - Blue Ridge RD - Chattahoochee-Oconee NF
- CO-13-08 - Occupancy and Use - Desoto Falls - Blue Ridge RD - Chattahoochee-Oconee NF
- CO-13-09 - Occupancy and Use - Dockery Lake and Dockery Lake Recreation Area - Blue Ridge RD - Chattahoochee-Oconee NF
- CO-13-16 - Occupancy and Use - Whissenhunt Off Road Vehicle Area - Blue Ridge RD - Chattahoochee-Oconee NF
- CO-13-17 - Anna Ruby Falls - Chattooga River RD - Chattahoochee-Oconee NF
- CO-13-20 - Currahee Mountain Electronic Site - Chattooga River RD - Chattahoochee-Oconee NF
- CO-13-21 - Lake Russell - Chattooga River RD - Chattahoochee-Oconee NF
- CO-13-22 - Raven Cliffs Climbing, Rappelling, and Camping - Chattooga River RD - Chattahoochee-Oconee NF
- CO-13-23 - Tallulah River Camping - Chattooga River RD - Chattahoochee-Oconee NF
- CO-13-25 - Occupancy and Use - Cottonwood Patch Campground, Iron Mountain Trailhead, and Forest System Road 16-A - Conasauga RD - Chattahoochee-Oconee NF
- CO-13-28 - Songbird Management Area - Conasauga RD - Chattahoochee-Oconee NF
- CO-13-32 - Town Creek Bike Trail - Oconee RD - Chattahoochee-Oconee NF
- CO-13-33 - OHV Trails - Oconee RD - Chattahoochee-Oconee NF
- CO-13-34 - Hitchiti Experimental Forest - Oconee RD - Chattahoochee-Oconee NF
- CO-13-35 - Forest-Wide Closure Motor Vehicle Regulations - Chattahoochee-Oconee NF
- CO-13-36 - General Forest Orders - Chattahoochee-Oconee NF
- CO-14-05 - Developed Recreation Area - Rabun Beach Swim Area - Chattooga River RD - Chattahoochee-Oconee NF
- CO-14-06 - Parking-Tallulah River Road - Chattooga River RD - Chattahoochee-Oconee NF
- FMS-13-01 - Chattooga River Corridor - Chattooga River RD - Chattahoochee-Oconee NF

The original purpose and need for these closure orders have not changed, and no new conditions exist that fall outside the scope and range of effects in the original assessments.



These closures are effective from the original date signed by the Forest Supervisor until July 25, 2025, or until terminated by an authorized Forest Service official, whichever occurs first.

Executed in Gainesville, Georgia, this 25th day of July 2023, and effective as of this date.

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Signed by: JUDY TOPPINS  
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Forest Supervisor

Enclosure (1)

cc: Amanda Gee