

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
UNITED STATES FOREST SERVICE
CHEROKEE NATIONAL FOREST

Order No. 08-11-04-24-001

FOREST ORDER

FOREST WIDE FIRE RESTRICTIONS

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 551 and 36 CFR §§ 261.50 (a) and (b), for the protection of public health and safety, the following acts are prohibited on all lands administered by the Cherokee National Forest. This closure is effective from November 15, 2023 through December 31, 2023 or until rescinded by an authorized Forest Service official, whichever occurs first.

1. **Building, maintaining, attending, or using a fire or campfire outside of developed recreation sites. 36 CFR § 261.52 (a).**
2. **Possessing, discharging, or using any kind of firework or other pyrotechnic device. 36 CFR § 261.52 (f).**

Exceptions:

The use of commercially available fuel stoves (portable gas camp stoves or grills) forest wide.

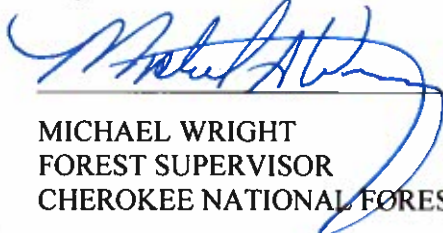
Fire or campfire in a Forest Service provided metal fire pit, metal fire ring, or pole mounted grill at a developed recreation area or campground.

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

1. Persons with a special use permit or contract specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act of omission.
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 the General Prohibitions in 36 CFR Part 261 (Subpart A).

Executed in Cleveland, Tennessee, on this 15th day of Nov, 2023


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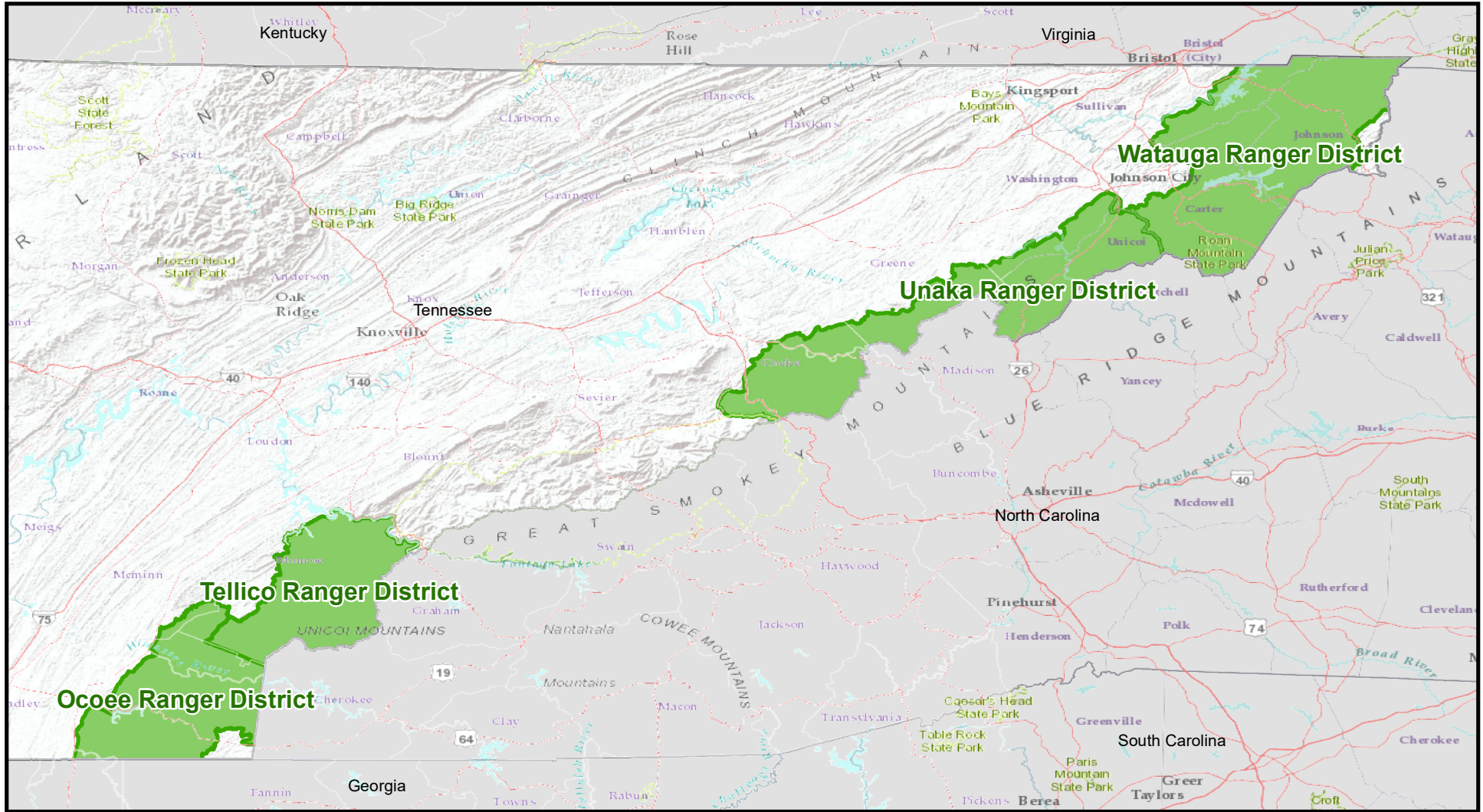
Violations of the above prohibition are punishable by a fine of not more than \$5000.00 for an individual and \$10,000 for an organization or imprisonment for not more than six months or both. Title 16 USC 551 and Title 18 USC 3559 and 3571.



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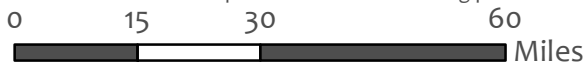
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Cherokee National Forest Administrative Boundary

