

ORDER NO. 08-04-03-398

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

CHEROKEE NATIONAL FOREST

River Restriction

Pursuant to 36 CFR, Section 261.50 (a), it is hereby ordered that the prohibitions hereinafter set forth apply to the specific areas described below on the Ocoee/Hiwassee District (Cherokee National Forest) and the Cohutta Ranger District (Chattahoochee National Forest), shown on the attached map.

1. No camping is allowed except on sites developed and designated for use. **36 CFR 261.58(e)**
2. It is prohibited to hitch, tether, or hobble a horse or other saddle pack animal closer than fifty (50) feet from a stream or body of water. **36 CFR 261.58(aa)**
3. Where hitching post/rails are provided, all horses must be hitched, tethered, or hobbled to the structure. **36 CFR 261.58(aa)**
4. It is prohibited to have a horse, saddle, or pack animal between the Conasauga River Trail and the river or between Forest System Road 221 and the river. **36 CFR 261.58(aa)**
5. Possessing an alcoholic beverage which is defined as an alcoholic beverage by State Law. **36 CFR 261.58(bb)**
6. No Campfires are allowed except within fire rings provided at the campsites. **36 CFR 261.52(a)**

Area Affected By This Order

This closure begins 400 yards upstream from the Jacks River Bridge (which is near the Georgia/Tennessee state line) and proceeds downstream to a point 400 yards below the area known as the Taylor Blue Hole and trailhead parking lot. This area includes ¼ mile corridor on both sides of the River. This area is also referred to as the Jacks River and Conasauga River.

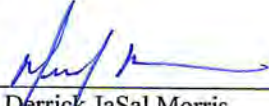
The above-prohibited act is set forth in Title 36 C.F.R. Section CFR 261.58.

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

1. Persons with a special use permit specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission, issued by the District Ranger.

Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.

Executed in Cleveland, Tennessee, this 23 day of May, 2016.


Derrick JaSal Morris
Forest Supervisor
Cherokee National Forest

Violation of these prohibitions set forth above is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000 for an individual and \$10,000 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than six (6) months, or both. See 16 U.S.C. 551, 18 U.S.C. 3559 and 3571.

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