

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
FOREST SERVICE  
NATIONAL FORESTS IN NORTH CAROLINA  
Pisgah National Forest  
Pisgah Ranger District

Order Number 08-11-07-15-01

**Emergency Requirement to Use Bear Resistant Canisters in:**

- Graveyard Fields Vicinity
- Shining Rock Wilderness
- Black Balsam Vicinity
- Sam's Knob/Flat Laurel Creek Vicinity

Pursuant to the provisions of 16 U.S.C Section 551 and Title 36 C.F.R Sections 261.50 (a) and (b), it is hereby ordered that the following act is prohibited on the Pisgah National Forest, Pisgah Ranger District. This order is in effect from March 19, 2015 until further notice.

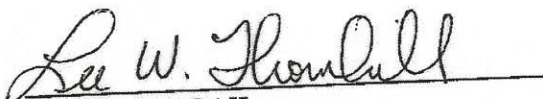
**All persons camping overnight must use bear-resistant canisters for the storage of all food, refuse, and toiletries in the areas listed above.**  
36 CFR 261.53 (e).

**Bear Resistant Canister: All bear resistant canisters must be commercially made; constructed of solid, non-pliable material manufactured for the specific purpose of resisting entry by bears.**

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

1. Persons with a permit from the authorized Forest Service Officer specifically authorizing an otherwise prohibited act or omission.
2. Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.

Executed in Asheville, North Carolina this March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2015

  
KRISTIN M. BAIL  
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Violations of these prohibitions set forth 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. and 3571.





SHINING ROCK

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WILDERNESS

Campfires are not allowed in wilderness areas; Group size limited to 10.

Bicycles are not allowed in wilderness areas.

Campfires are not allowed in wilderness areas; Group size limited to 10.

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