OCCUPANCY AND USE

IDAHO PANHANDLE NATIONAL FORESTS

Pursuant to 36 CFR 261.50(a) and (b), the following acts are prohibited on all National Forest System lands administered by the Forest Service within the Idaho Panhandle National Forests.

This order supersedes Idaho Panhandle National Forests' order F-08-002 (the previous 14 day closure order).

1. YEARLONG IN DEVELOPED RECREATION SITES -

- a. Camping in any one area (campground) or campsite is limited to a total of 14 days during any 30 day period [36 CFR 261.58(a)]
- b. It is prohibited to possess, park, or leave more than two vehicles, except motorcycles, atvs, or bicycles on a parking pad assigned to a single family campsite [36 CFR 261.58(i)].
- c. It is prohibited to use a single family campsite with a party size greater than eight (8) people [36 CFR 261.58(f)] except for the island campsites at Priest Lake (Bartoo, Kalispell, and Fourmile, Islands) which are limited to ten (10) people per single family campsite [36 CFR 261.58(f)].

2. THE SATURDAY PRIOR TO MEMORIAL DAY THROUGH LABOR DAY IN ALL OTHER AREAS —

Camping or leaving camping equipment in any one area or campsite is limited to a total of 14 days during any 30 day period. Camping is prohibited for the remaining 16 days on lands administered by the Idaho Panhandle National Forests [36 CFR 261.58(a)].

3. <u>LABOR DAY THROUGH THE SATURDAY PRIOR TO MEMORIAL</u> <u>DAY IN ALL OTHER AREAS –</u>

Camping or leaving camping equipment in any one area or campsite is limited to a total of 14 days during any 30 day period. Camps must be relocated at least 5 miles away (road miles) from the original site to qualify for a new 14 day period [36 CFR 261.58(a)].

4. SITE SAVING – GENERAL REGULATION -

Placing a vehicle or other object (including camping equipment), in such a manner that it is an impediment or hazard to the safety or convenience of any person. [36 CFR 261.10(f)].

FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS ORDER:

CAMPING means the temporary use of National Forest System lands for the purpose of overnight occupancy without a permanently-fixed structure. [36 CFR 261.2 Definitions]

CAMPING EQUIPMENT means the personal property used in or suitable for camping, and includes any vehicle used for transportation and all equipment in possession of a person camping. Food and beverage are not considered camping equipment. [36 CFR] 261.2 Definitions]

DEVELOPED RECREATION SITE means an area which has been improved or developed for recreation. [36 CFR 261.2 Definitions]

These restrictions are necessary for protection of natural resources. These prohibitions are in addition to the general prohibitions in 36 CFR 261, Subpart A and become effective immediately and will remain in effect until rescinded or revoked.

Pursuant to 36 CFR 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 the performance of an official duty.

Done in Coeur d'Alene Idaho this 10th day of September 2009

Forest Supervisor

Violation of these prohibitions is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000.00 for an individual or \$10,000.00 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than six (6) months, or both (16 U.S.C. Section 551 and 18 U.S.C. 3559 and 3571).