## UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOREST SERVICE NATIONAL FORESTS in NORTH CAROLINA CROATAN NATIONAL FOREST

Order Number 08-11-03-15-07

## **Emergency Closure of the Croatan National Forest**

Pursuant to 36 CFR 261.50 (a) and (b), it is hereby ordered that the following act is prohibited on the Croatan National Forest. This order remains in effect unless rescinded at an earlier date by the Forest Supervisor or District Ranger.

For public health and safety, discharging a firearm is prohibited within the Croatan National Forest unless it occurs in the lawful taking of wildlife. 36 CFR 261.58 (m)

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 working in the performance of an official duty.

Executed in Asheville, North Carolina this  $2^{th}$  day of November, 2015.

ACTIONAL ACTION ACTION

• Lolation 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, 18U.S.C. 3559 and 3571.