



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

FOREST SERVICE

MOUNT HOOD NATIONAL FOREST

FOREST ORDER NO. 06-06-00-20-07

GIFFORD PINCHOT NATIONAL FOREST

FOREST ORDER NO. 06-03-00-20-08

COLUMBIA RIVER GORGE NATIONAL SCENIC AREA

NATIONAL SCENIC AREA ORDER NO. 06-22-01-20-16

OCCUPANCY AND USE / CAMPING RESTRICTIONS

Pursuant to 16 USC § 551 and 36 CFR § 261.50 (a) and (b), the following acts are prohibited upon lands within the National Forest System to include National Forest System lands administered by the MOUNT HOOD NATIONAL FOREST, GIFFORD PINCHOT NATIONAL FOREST, and the COLUMBIA RIVER GORGE as described in this order and shown in Exhibit A. This Order is effective beginning September 4, 2020 until September 30, 2022 unless sooner rescinded.

PROHIBITIONS:

1. Camping or otherwise occupying a single location (including leaving camping equipment and/or related supplies) for a period longer than 14 consecutive days. Occupant must move off the Forest after 14 consecutive days and return to the Forest must not occur before 30 days have passed. **[36 CFR§261.58(a)]**
2. Camping, occupying, or otherwise leaving camping equipment and/or related supplies at any location on all national Forest lands described in this order for more than 28 days total during a calendar year. **[36 CFR 261.58(a)]**

EXEMPTIONS:

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

1. Persons with a permit, written authorization by a Forest officer, or special use authorization specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission, and approved contractors and their agents directly engaged in approved work outlined in an operating plan or permit allowing extended stay in excess of this order.

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

3. Those persons camping in specific designated campgrounds and in those camping spaces or locations under permit or special use authorization approved by the Administrative Unit for extended stay in excess of this order.

DEFINITIONS:

For the purpose of this order, and pursuant to 36 CFR § 261.2, the following definitions apply to this order.

- Camping' means the temporary use of National Forest Service System lands for the purpose of overnight occupancy without a permanently fixed structure.
- 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.
- Location' means the occupied area, the occupied campsite, and the National Forest System lands in the immediate vicinity thereof, and the lands within a 5 mile radius.
- Special-use authorization' means a permit, term permit, lease or easement which allows occupancy, or use rights or privileges of National Forest System land.
- Administrative Unit' means a National Forest, a purchase unit, a land utilization project, or other comparable unit of the National Forest System.

These prohibitions are necessary to protect public health and safety and to provide consistent public health and safety guidelines within the Pacific Northwest Region. This order will establish consistent limits of stay for camping across the Forest, protect visual quality, enhance safety by preventing user conflicts, and reduce resource damage and sanitation issues associated with long term camping.

These prohibitions are in addition to general prohibitions pursuant to 36 CFR Part 261, Subpart A. This Forest Order does not rescind or replace any other special restrictions pertaining to the described lands.

Executed this 4th day of September, 2020.

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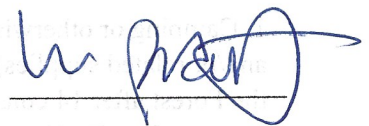
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Violations of these prohibitions is punishable as a Class B Misdemeanor, by a fine of not more than \$5,000 for an individual or \$10,000 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than 6 months, or both (16 USC § 551; 18 USC § 3559 and 18 USC § 3571).