



ORDER NO. R9-20-21-01

ORDER OF THE FOREST SUPERVISOR OCCUPANCY AND USE, TO WIT: APPALACHIAN TRAIL AND THE LONG TRAIL WHERE MANAGED BY THE GREEN MOUNTAIN NATIONAL FOREST - VERMONT

Under the authority of the Act of Congress dated June 4, 1897, as amended (16 U.S.C. 551), and pursuant to the Secretary of Agriculture's Regulations set forth as 36 CFR Part 261, Subpart B (36 CFR 261.50(a) and (b)), the following acts and omissions are prohibited on the Appalachian National Scenic Trail and within the Appalachian National Scenic Trail Management Area 8.1 within the Green Mountain National Forest located in Vermont, said trail and management area being described and designated as shown on the map set forth at Exhibit A which is attached hereto and made a part hereto:

- 1. Using a bicycle or motorized vehicle EXCEPT while crossing the trail on another route where such use is permitted. (36 CFR 261.55(b))
- 2. Possessing or using a saddle, pack or other draft animal EXCEPT dogs and except while crossing the trail on another route where such use is permitted. (36 CFR 261.55(c))

THESE RESTRICTIONS ARE NECESSARY FOR PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY AND TO PROTECT PROPERTY. THEY ARE IN ADDITION TO THE GENERAL PROHIBITIONS SET FORTH IN 36 CFR PART 261. THE PROHIBITION WILL BE IN EFFECT FROM THE DATE OF THIS ORDER UNTIL SPECIFICALLY WITHDRAWN BY TERMINATION ORDER OF THE FOREST SUPERVISOR.

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

- 1. Persons with permit specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission (36 CFR 261.50(e)(1)); and,
- 2. Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of any organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty (36 CFR 261.50(e)(4))

Violation of these prohibitions is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5000.00 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., 18 U.S.C. 3559 and 3571).

Dated this 10th day of March 2021, at Rutland, Vermont.

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