



**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
Forest Service  
Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest  
Cle Elum, WA**

**French Cabin Creek Bridge Closure  
Closure Order: 06-17-08-21-34**

Pursuant to 16 USC § 551 and 36 CFR § 261.50(b), and to provide for public safety, the following acts are prohibited within the Cle Elum Ranger District of the Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest. This Order was signed on September 28, 2021 by Kristin Bail, and is effective September 28, 2021 through September 28, 2023, unless rescinded earlier.

**PROHIBITIONS:**

1. **Being on any National Forest System Road** as described below and displayed on the attached map, Exhibit A [36 CFR § 261.54(e)].

**CLOSURE AREA DESCRIPTION:**

The closure area starts at the beginning of the bridge crossing French Cabin Creek on FSR 4310. Access is limited to pedestrian, bicycle, and motorized traffic no greater than 800 pounds. This closure is for the bridge only, but effectively limits access beyond the bridge closure for motorized traffic greater than 800 pounds.

**Roads Closed**

FSR 4310 at the French Cabin Creek bridge and beyond, to include 4310115, 4310117, 4310118, 4310122, 4310217, 4310223, 4310225, 4310227, and 4310801.

**EXEMPTIONS:**

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

1. Any federal, state, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.
2. Persons with Forest Service Permit No. FS-7700-48 (Permit for Use of Roads, Trails, or Areas Restricted by Regulation Order), specifically exempting them from this Order.

These prohibitions are in addition to the general prohibitions in 36 CFR Part 261, Subpart A.

A violation of these prohibitions is punishable 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 and 18 USC §§ 3559, 3571, and 3581.

Executed in Wenatchee, Washington this 28<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2021.

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KRISTIN M. BAIL  
Forest Supervisor  
Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest

## Assessment of Need and Enforcement Plan

**Prohibition Objective:** To reduce the potential for members of the public to be endangered or harmed by wildfire as well as to reduce the potential for members of the public to interfere with or impede wildfire suppression and containment activity.

**Public Notification Plan:** Information associated with the closure will be made available to the public through media releases and Forest Service Offices and websites. This notice will be posted in effected areas, at effected roads, trails and trail heads.

**Enforcement Plan:** This order will be enforceable by Law Enforcement Officers and Forest Protection Officers. Education will be emphasized during initial implementation of this order. Officers will exercise normal discretion in resolving violations.

<b>Action</b>	<b>Responsible Official</b>	<b>Date</b>
Prepare proposed order	District Ranger	
Review proposed order	Patrol Captain	
Approve proposed order	Deputy Forest Supervisor	
Post order in accordance with 36 CFR 261.51	District Staff Officer and Staff	
Prepare news release for local media describing the order and management objectives	Public Affairs Officer	
District staff will be responsible for the management and enforcement of this closure. Any enforcement actions will be within normal policies and procedures established by the LEI patrol Captain for the zone.	District Staff	

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