

**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

**U. S. FOREST SERVICE**

**CHATTAHOOCHEE-OCONEE NATIONAL FOREST**

**BLUE RIDGE RANGER DISTRICT**

ORDER NUMBER CO—13-08

**OCCUPANCY AND USE**

Pursuant to Title 36 Code of Federal Regulations (C.F.R) Section 261.50 (a) and (b), the following act or omission is prohibited within 200 feet of the observation decks constructed at the lower and upper Desoto Falls and within 100 feet of the hiking trail which lead to each of the waterfalls; within the Desoto Falls Scenic Area. This land is located on the Blue Ridge Ranger District within the Chattahoochee–Oconee National Forest. The provisions shall remain in effect from July 25, 2013 through July 25, 2023.

1. Camping. 36 CFR 261.58 (e).

Pursuant to the provisions of Title 36 C.F.R, Section 261.50 (e), the following persons are exempt from the above prohibition:

1. Persons with a permit specially authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission.
2. Any Federal, State, or local officer or member of any organized rescue or firefighting force in the official performance of their duties.

Prepared at Gainesville, Georgia this 12<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2013.



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Violations of this prohibition is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5000.00 for an individual and \$10,000 for an organization or imprisonment for not more than six months or both. Title 16 USC 551 and Title 18 USC 3559 and 3571.