UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURAL

UNITED STATES FOREST SERVICE

CHATTAHOOCHEE-OCONEE NATIONAL FOREST

OCONEE RANGER DISTRICT

Order No. CO-13-30

MILLER CREEK LAKE SITE OCCUPANCY AND USE

Pursuant to the provisions of Title 36 CFR, Section 261.50 (a) and (b), it is hereby ordered that the prohibitions set forth applies to Miller Creek Lake and the Miller Creek Lake Recreation Site located on the Oconee National Forest. Miller Lake is 14 miles south of Eatonton, Georgia, odd Hwy 129 and 8 miles north of Gray, Georgia, travel approximately 3 miles off the Blountsville County Road. This closure order is effective from July 25, 2013 through July 25, 2023.

- Use of any type of traffic or mode of transportation other than foot travel. 36 CFR 261.55(c)
- 2. Bringing in or possessing a saddle, pack, or draft animal. 36 CFR 261.58(aa)
- 3. Being in the area after sundown or before sunrise. 36 CFR 261.58(1)
- 4. Camping in an area. 36 CFR 261.58(e)
- 5. Entering or using this area from January 1 until completion of the kids fishing rodeo. 36 CFR 261.58(b)
- 6. Use of gas powered motors. 36 CFR 261.58(n)
- 7. Use of fish baskets, trot lines, lib lines, or jug fishing or possessing equipment for these activities. 36 CFR 261.58(v)
- 8. Use of, or possession of, more than 2 fishing poles per person. 36 CFR 261.58(v)
- 9. Possession of, or failure to release, largemouth bass less than 14 inches in length. 36 CFR 261.58(v)
- 10. Keeping or possessing more than 5 bass, 10 catfish, and 20 bream per person. 36 CFR 261.58(v)
- 11. Possessing a beverage which is defined as an alcoholic beverage by state law on opening weekend of each year as determined by the kids annual fishing rodeo. 36 CFR 261.58(bb)



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

- 1. Persons with a permit or contract specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission.
- 2. Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.
- 3. Registered Participants of the Annual Kids Fishing Rodeo. Persons with written permission from the Forest Supervisor or District Ranger.

Prepared at Gainesville, Georgia this 12th day of June, 2013.

Betty A. Mathews Forest Supervisor

Chattahoochee-Oconee National Forest

Violations of the above prohibition are punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000.00 for an individual and \$10,000.00 for an organization or imprisonment for not more that (6) months or both. Title 16 U.S.C. 551 and 18 U.S.C. 3559 and 3571.

