

ORDER**ROAD AND AREA CLOSURE****WALLOWA-WHITMAN NATIONAL FOREST**

Pursuant to 36 CFR, Sec. 261.50(a) and (b), the following acts are prohibited on the area, roads and road segments described in this order within the Wallowa-Whitman National Forest, until further notice.

1. Using any type of vehicle prohibited by the order. For the purpose of this order, this restriction applies to motorized vehicles on National Forest System roads listed in appendix A of this order, beginning three days prior to the opening of rifle bull elk season and ending at the close of rifle bull elk season (36 CFR 261.54 (a)).
2. Using any type of vehicle prohibited by the order. For the purpose of this order, this restriction applies to motorized vehicles on the National Forest System trails listed in appendix B of this order, beginning three days prior to the opening of rifle bull elk season and ending at the close of rifle bull elk season (36 CFR 261.55 (b)).
3. When provided by an order it is prohibited to possess or use a vehicle off National Forest System roads. For the purpose of this order, this restriction applies to the area described in appendix A of this order and shown in Appendix C of this order, beginning three days prior to the opening of rifle bull elk season and ending at the close of rifle bull elk season {36 CFR 261.56).

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

1. Persons with a permit specifically authorizing the 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. Persons using a motor vehicle within 300 feet of any National Forest System road when such road is located within the area described in Appendix A and is not closed to motor vehicle use.

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

Done at Baker City, Oregon, this 18th day of October, 2002.

John C. Schuyler, for

KARYN L. WOOD
Forest Supervisor
Wallowa-Whitman National Forest

Violation of these prohibitions is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5000 for an individual or \$10,000 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than 6 months, or both. (16 U.S.C. 551 and 18 U.S.C. 3559 and 3571)

Appendix A

Closure Area Description:

Beginning at a point on Big Sheep Creek that intersects with the north line of Section 19 in Township 3 South, Range 47 East, Section 19, W.M.; thence southerly along Big Sheep Creek to its confluence with Tye Creek; thence due northeast to the junction of Forest Road 3930 and 3930-130; thence northerly along Road 3930 to its junction with the north entry to Road 3930-229; thence due east to Morgan Creek; thence easterly along Morgan Creek to its confluence with Grouse Creek; thence northeasterly along Grouse Creek to its intersection with the Hells Canyon National Recreation Area (HCNRA) boundary.; thence northerly along the HCNRA boundary to the north line of Section 16, Township 2 South, Range 48 East, W.M.; thence west along the north line of Sections 16 and 17; thence south along the west line of Sections 17 and 20; thence west along the north line of Section 30 and 25; thence south along the west line of Section 25; thence west along the north line of Section 35; thence south along the west lines of Sections 35, 2, and 11; thence west along the north line of Section 15; thence south along the west line of Section 15; thence west along the north lines of Sections 21, 20, and 19 to the point of beginning.

Appendix B

Closed Roads:

All National Forest System roads located within the area described in Appendix A, except for:

- Road #3930
- Road #3930-260
- Road #3930-280
- Road #3930-290
- Road #3930-400 from its junction with Road # 3930 to its junction with Road #3930-403
- Road #3930-415 from its junction with Road # 3930 to its junction with Road 3930-419
- Road #3940

Closed Trails:

That portion of Trail #1815 located within the area described in Appendix A.

Supporting Documentation

Statement of Need: This closure is managed in cooperation with Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife and is needed to protect soils and wildlife habitat, minimize harassment of wildlife, maintain adequate bull escapement, and promote quality hunting.

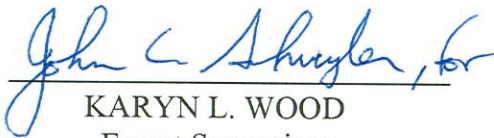
Enforcement Procedures: This closure order will be enforced by Forest officers and cooperative enforcement personnel patrolling the area during the closure period. Appropriate law enforcement action will be taken on all observed violations.

Posting: The closure is posted by placing yellow entry signs at portals to the closure area and by placing green dots on the roads identified as open. Major roads not open to travel are posted with yellow no-entry signs.

Enforcement Plan

<u>Action</u>	<u>Responsible Official</u>	<u>Date</u>
Prepare proposed order	Appropriate Staff with LE&I input	10/18/02
Review proposed order	Patrol Captain	10/18/02
Approve proposed order	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	District Ranger PAO LEO	

Enforcement Plan approved for implementation:



 KARYN L. WOOD
 Forest Supervisor

/s/ Dwight B. Johnson

 DWIGHT B. JOHNSON
 Patrol Captain

10/18/02

 Date

Appendix C

Attached Map

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Appendix C

Date	Description	Amount
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