

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
FOREST SERVICE
Malheur and Umatilla National Forest
FOREST ORDER NO. 06-04-01-22-10

Crockets Knob Area Closure Order

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 551 and 36 CFR § 261.50 (a) and (b), the following prohibitions are established within the Blue Mountain Ranger District of the Malheur National Forest and the North Fork John Day Ranger District on the Umatilla National Forest within the area described below and shown on Exhibit A. This order supersedes Forest Order No. 06-04-01-22-09 and becomes effective on September 3, 2022, and will remain in effect until December 31, 2022, unless rescinded sooner.

PROHIBITIONS

1. Entering into or being upon an area closed for the protection of public health and safety. 36 CFR § 261.53(e).
2. Being on a National Forest System Road. 36 CFR § 261.54(e).
3. Being in a National Forest System Trail. 36 CFR § 261.55(a)

CROCKETS KNOB FIRE CLOSURE AREA

The area within the following boundary:

Starting on County Road 20 at Sunshine Guard Station, following County Road 20 northwest to the Forest boundary in T. 9 S., R. 32 E., Section 34 then follows the Forest boundary north along Sections 26, 23, 14, and to the northwest corner of Section 11. Then heads east following the Malheur and Umatilla National Forests boundary and FSR 3988080 through Sections 12, and T. 9 S., R. 33 E., Sections 7 and 8. At Section 9 continue following FSR 3988080 onto Umatilla National Forest and to the FSR 3988084 junction. Then follows Trail #3026 (Sharp Ridge Trail) through Sections 10 and 11 to the Sharp Ridge/Indian Rock Trailhead in Section 12. At Sharp Ridge/Indian Rock Trailhead, heads north and follows FSR 45 past South Fork Desolation Trailhead in T. 9 S., R. 33 E., Section 1 and to the junction of the Blue Mountain Trailhead #6141. Then heads southeast following Trail #6141 to the junction of Sunrise Butte Trail #255 (T. 10 S., R. 34 E, Section 3). Then follows Sunrise Butte Trail #255 southwest to the Sunrise Butte Trailhead (T. 10 S., R. 34 E, Section 17) then continues to the southwest on FSR 4555 to the junction with the FSR 4550 (T. 10 S., R. 33 E, Section 24). Then heads southwest on FSR 2000909 along the east side of T. 10 S., R. 33 E., Section 26, to the Sunshine Guard Station.

All Boundary roads and trails will be closed EXCEPT County Road 20 from the junction of FSR 2000909 at the Sunshine Guard Station, northwest to the Malheur National Forest boundary in T. 9 S., R. 32 E., Section 34.

EXEMPTIONS

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

- (1) 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.
- (2) Any Federal, State, or local Officer or member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.
- (3) Forest Service employees performing official duties.

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

Violations of these prohibitions are 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 U.S.C. § 551; 18 U.S.C. §§ 3551, 3559, 3571, and 3581).

Executed in John Day, Oregon this 3rd day of September 2022.

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