

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
FOREST SERVICE  
GIFFORD PINCHOT NATIONAL FOREST  
MOUNT ST HELENS NATIONAL VOLCANIC MOUNUMENT ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICT  
AMBOY, WA

FOREST ORDER NO. 06-03-01-22-06

Siouxon Area Closure

Pursuant to 16 USC § 551 and 36 CFR § 261.50(a) and (b), the following acts are prohibited within the area described below and on the attached map (**Exhibit A**) on the Mount St. Helens National Volcanic Monument Administrative District within the Gifford Pinchot National Forest. These prohibitions will be effective beginning September 26, 2022, until September 30, 2023, unless rescinded earlier.

**Prohibitions:**

- 1) **Going into or being upon an area closed for the protection of public health or safety.** [36 CFR 261.53(e)].
- 2) **Being on a road.** [36 CFR § 261.54(e)].
- 3) **Being on a trail.** [36 CFR § 261.55(a)].

**Closure Area Description:**

All National Forest System (NFS) lands are closed to all occupancy and travel within the described closure area boundary and as shown on the attached map (**Exhibit A**):

Beginning at Forest Boundary and NFS Road 54 east along the north edge of NFS Road 54 to the junction of NFS Road 57; then east along NFS Road 57 to the intersection with NFS Rd 5704; east along NFS Road 5704 as it changes to NFS Road 5800; northeast along NFS Road 5800 to the intersection with NFS Road 5700, then continuing northeast along Road 5700 through Observation Peak Trailhead to NFS Road 6400, then west along NFS Road 6400 to the intersection of NFS Road 6403, then west along NFS Road 6403 toward Siouxon Peak Trailhead and west along the Huffman Peak Trail #129 to North Fork Siouxon Trail #126 then north to the Forest Boundary then following the contiguous forest boundary to west and south to the north edge of NFS Road 54 and point of origin.

**Campgrounds and Developed Recreation Sites:**

All campgrounds, sno-parks, trailheads, and other developed recreation sites within the closure area are closed.

**Road Closure Description:**

Travel is prohibited on all NFS Roads within the closure area, including spur roads within and inclusive of the closure area boundary as shown on the attached map (**Exhibit A**).

**Trail Closure Description:**

Travel is prohibited on all NFS Trails within the closure area boundary.

**Exemptions:**

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

1. Any Federal, State, or County officer, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.
2. Persons with a permit specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act of omission.
3. Owners or lessees of land within the closed area.

Violations of this prohibition 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 USC § 551; 18 USC §§ 3551, 3559, 3571, and 3581).

Executed in Vancouver, Washington this 26th day of September, 2022.

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