



**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
Forest Service
Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest
Leavenworth, WA**

Minnow Ridge Fire Closure

Closure Order: 06-17-07-22-18

Pursuant to 16 USC § 551 and 36 CFR § 261.50(a) and (b), and to provide for public safety, the following acts are prohibited within the Wenatchee River and Entiat Ranger Districts of the Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest. This Order supersedes Order #06-17-04-22-16, signed by Kristin Bail on September 16, 2022, and is effective October 4, 2022 until December 31, 2022, unless rescinded sooner.

PROHIBITIONS:

1. **Entering into or being upon National Forest System lands**, as described below and displayed on the attached map, Exhibit A [36 CFR § 261.53(e)].
2. **Being on a National Forest System trail**, as described below and displayed on the attached map, Exhibit A [36 CFR § 261.55(a)].
3. **Being on a National Forest System Road** as described below and displayed on the attached map, Exhibit A [36 CFR § 261.54(e)].

CLOSURE AREA DESCRIPTION:

The Minnow Fire Closure is defined as follows:

The closure area boundary begins at the junction of Forest Service Road (FSR) 6200, Chiwawa River Road and the Alder Ridge Trailhead (TH) in T.28 N., R.17 E. sec.35. The closure proceeds NW on the east side of FSR 6200 (allowing road to remain open) until it intersects with private property in T.28 N., R. 17 E. sec.28 and sec.21 where it then follows N. F. boundary until it then continues on eastside of FSR 6200 in T. 28 N., R.17 E. NW. corner, sec.21. The closure continues on east side of FSR 6200 to the Basalt Ridge TH in T.29 N., R.17E. SE. corner, sec.6. The closure then proceeds following Forest Service Trail (FST) 1515, Basalt Ridge Trail on its east side (allowing FST 1515 to remain open) until intersecting FST 1408, Garland Peak Trail in T.29 N., R.17 E. sec.9. Closure then proceeds SE. following FST 1408 as the closure boundary to the junction with FST 1409.1, Upper Mad River Trail in T.29 N., R.17 E. sec.25, with the boundary continuing SSE utilizing FST 1409.1 as the boundary until the northern junction with FST 1426 Blue Creek Trail in T.28 N., R. 17 E. sec.6. Closure then proceeds east utilizing FST 1426 as closure boundary to the junction with FST 1425 in T.28 N., R.18 E. sec.6. Closure then

proceeds south on the west side of FST 1426 (allowing trail to remain open) to the junction with FST 1409.1 in T.28 N., R.18 E. sec.19. Closure then proceeds north utilizing FST 1409.1 as closure boundary until the junction with FST 1523 Alder Ridge Trail in T.28 N., R.17 E. SW. corner, sec.7. Closure then utilizes FST 1523 as the boundary until it reaches the closure boundary point of origin at the Chiwawa River Road, Alder Ridge TH junction in T.28 N., R.17 E. sec.35.

FSR 6200, FST 1515, and sections of FST 1409.1, FST 1426, FST 1548 will remain open to public access during the closure period.

The following campgrounds, roads and trails are included in this closure order:

Developed Campgrounds Closed

- None

Roads Closed

- FSR 6210

Trails Closed

- FS Trail 1523 Alder Ridge
- FS Trail 1548 L. Chiwawa above jct. with FS Tr. 1523 Alder Ridge
- FS Trail 1534 Chikamin Cr.
- FS Trail 1524 Minnow Ridge
- FS Trail 1539 Minnow Cr.
- FS Trail 1530 Basalt Pass
- FS Trail 1408 Garland Peak going south at jct, with FS Trail 1515 Basalt Ridge
- FS Trail 1409.1 Upper Mad River Trail from jct. with FS Trail 1426 (below Mad Lk) to jct. with Garland Pk Tr. 1408
- FS Trail 1406 Mad Lake Trail
- FS Trail 1409.2 Pond Camp Tie Tr.
- FS Trail 1561 and 1561.1 Chikamin Tie Tr.

See Exhibit A for closure map.

EXEMPTIONS:

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

1. Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or fire-fighting force in the performance of an official duty.

2. 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.

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 \$5,000.00 for an individual or \$10,000.00 for a corporation, or imprisonment for not more than six months, or both. (16 USC § 551; 18 USC §§ 3551, 3571, and 3581.)

Executed in Wenatchee, Washington this 4th day of October, 2022.

KRISTIN M. BAIL
Forest Supervisor
Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest

A violation of these prohibitions is 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 and 18 USC §§ 3559, 3571, and 3581.