

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

FOREST ORDER NO. 06-03-01-23-05

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 These prohibitions will be effective beginning November 10, 2022, until November 30, 2023, unless rescinded earlier. This order rescinds and replaces Forest Order # 06-03-01-22-06, signed September 26th, 2022.

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**):

From the point of beginning at the junction of NFS Road Nos. 5701 and 5700, east along the north edge of NFS Road No. 5700 to the East Trailhead of the Siouxon Trail, northwest along the Siouxon trail to the junction with the Lower Siouxon Trail, west along the Lower Siouxon Trail to the west trailhead, then south along NFS Road No. 5701 to the junction with NFS Road No. 5700 and the point of beginning.

Road Closure Description:

Travel is prohibited on all NFS Roads within the closure area, including spur roads within the closure area, exclusive of NFS Road No. 5700 listed as the closure area boundary as shown on the attached map, which will remain open to public travel. (**Exhibit A**).

Trail Closure Description:

Travel is prohibited on all NFS Trails within the closure area boundary, including the Siouxon Trail and Lower Siouxon Trail listed as the closure area boundary as shown on the attached map, (**Exhibit A**).

Exemptions:

Pursuant to 36 CFR § 261.50(e), the following persons 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 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.

This prohibition is in addition to the general prohibitions in 36 CFR Part 261, Subpart A.

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 U.S.C. § 551; 18 U.S.C. §§ 3551, 3559, 3571, and 3581).

Executed in Vancouver, Washington this 10th day of November, 2022.

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