

# UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

# Forest Service Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest CHELAN, WA

#### **Pioneer Fire Closure**

**Closure Order: 06-17-02-24-15** 

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 Chelan and Methow Valley Ranger Districts of the Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest. This Order supersedes Order # 06-17-02-24-13, dated July 21, 2024 and signed by Tara Umphries. This Order is effective July 23, 2024 and will remain in effect through October 31, 2024 unless rescinded sooner.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)].
- 4. Use of vehicle off of National Forest System Roads as described below and displayed on the attached map, Exhibit A [36 CFR § 261.56].

# **CLOSURE AREA DESCRIPTION:**

The Pioneer Fire Area Closure is defined as follows:

The closure encompasses much of the Chelan Ranger District north of Lake Chelan and portions of the Methow Valley Ranger District. Specifically, the closure begins in T29N R21E section 34 at the Edge of Lake Chelan, and follows T29N line east, to the north and east side of FSR 8020 (Cooper Mountain Raod), which is the eastern boundary of the closure. From here, the closure follows the north and east side of FSR 8020 as the road travels north and west to its junction with FSR 8200 in T30N R21E section 17. The closure then follows the boundary between the Chelan and Methow Valley Ranger Districts north and west to the intersection with FSR 4330600 (South Fork Gold Creek Road) in T30N R21E Section 17. It then follows the northern edge of FSR 4330600 and FSR4330 east and north to the junction with FSR 4330100 in T31N R21E Section 35. The closure then follows the northern edge of FSR 4330100, closed road 4330125, and Trail

No. 405 Pasayten Drive north and west to FSR 4340200 in T31N R21E Section 17. The closure area then follows the southern edge of FSR 4340200 to the junction with FSR 4340212 Foggy Dew Campground in T31N R21E Section 10. It then proceeds north following the 2200 foot contour level until it intersects FSR 4340 (North Fork Gold Creek Road) in the same Section. The closure then follows the southwest side of FSR 4340 north and west to the junction with FSR 4340675 in T32N R21E Section 30. It then follows FSR 4340675 west to the insection with the Section 30 boundary line of T32N R21E and follows the northern edge of Section 30 of and T32N R20E Section 27 until it intersects the boundary of the Lake Chelan Sawtooth Wilderness. It then follows the Wilderness boundary north and west until it intersects Trail No. 408 War Creek in T33N R19E Section 14. The closure boundary then proceeds west, following the southern edge and excluding Trail No. 408 to the War Creek cabin located in T33N R19E Section 19. At this point, the closure continues west following the northern edge and including Trail No. 408 to the boundary with the Lake Chelan National Recreation Area (NRA) in T33N R18E Section 34. The closure then follows the boundary between Lake Chelan NRA and Lake Chelan-Sawtooth Wilderness south and then east to where it intersects private land in T32N R18E section 16. From here, the closure follows the USFS boundary along the shore of Lake Chelan south and east back to its origin in T29N R21E section 34.

Note the following roads are NOT included in this closure order and remain OPEN: FSR 4340212 and 4340212A (Foggy Dew Campground loops), FSR 4340 (North Fork Gold Creek) and FSR 4330 and 4330600 (South Fork Gold Creek).

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

### <u>Developed Campgrounds Closed - Chelan Ranger District</u>

- Moore Point
- Prince Creek
- Cascade Creek
- South Navarre
- Poison Creek
- Safety Harbor
- Deer Point
- Antilon Lake
- Mitchel Creek
- Lucerne
- Refrigerator Harbor

#### **Developed Campgrounds Closed – Methow Valley Ranger District**

Crater Creek

#### **Trails Closed**

Lake Chelan-Sawtooth Wilderness:

- Trail No. 408 (War Creek) from the War Creek cabin at mile 5.2 to the trail terminus at the Lake Chelan National Recreation Area boundary
- Trail No. 409 (South Fork War Creek)
- Trail No. 410 (Eagle Creek)
- Trail No. 410A (Oval Creek)
- Trail No. 410B (Oval Lake)
- Trail No. 411 (West Fork Buttermilk)
- Trail No. 415 (Libby Creek)
- Trail No. 420 (East Fork Buttermilk)
- Trail No. 436 (Oval Peak)
- Trail No. 435 (Splawn)
- Trail No. 1247 (Lakeshore)
- Trail No. 1248 (Lower Fish Creek)
- Trail No. 1248.01
- Trail No. 1248.02
- Trail No. 1248.03
- Trail No. 1248.11
- Trail No. 1248.1 (North Fork Fish Creek)
- Trail No. 1249 (Surprise Lake)
- Trail No. 1250 (Round Lake/Horton Butte)
- Trail No. 1250.1
- Trail No. 1250.2
- Trail No. 1254 (North Fork Prince Creek)
- Trail No. 1255 (Prince Creek)
- Trail No. 1257
- Trail No. 1259 (Summit Trail)
- Trail No. 1259.11 (Moore Mountain)

#### Sawtooth Backcountry:

- Trail No. 405 (Pasayten Drive)
- Trail No. 416 (Crater Lake)
- Trail No. 417 (Foggy Dew)
- 417.1
- Trail No. 417.2 (Sunrise Lake)
- Trail No. 418 (Bryan Butte)
- Trail No. 431 (Eagle Lakes)
- Trail No. 431A (Upper Eagle Lake)
- Trail No. 431B (Lower Eagle Lake)
- Trail No. 429 (Martin Creek)
- Trail No.429A (Martin Lake)
- Trail No. 434 (Cooney Lake)
- Trail No. 438 Foggy Dew Drive
- Trail No. 1261 (Safety Harbor)

- Trail No. 1260 (Uno Peak)
- Trail No. 1258 (Summer Blossom)
- Trail No. 1257
- Trail No. 1255.1 (Prince Creek/Cub Lake)
- Trail No. 1255.2
- Trail No. 1255.12
- Trail No. 1255.13
- Trail No. 1259.2
- Trail No. 1259.3
- Trail No. 1259.31
- Trail No. 1259.32

## **Roads Closed**

- FSR 4330100
- FSR 4330125
- FSR 4340200 (Foggy Dew Trailhead) from junction of 4340212A Foggy Dew CG Loop A to terminus at Foggy Dew Treailhead
- FSR 4340235
- FSR 4340300 (Crater Creek)
- FSR 4340350, -355, -360, -375
- FSR 4340450, 600, 0620, -625, -635, -637, 675
- FSR 8020 (Cooper Mountain) closed at gated outside the closure area in T28N R22E southeast ¼ section 3
- FSR 8020135, -146
- FSR 8021
- FSR 8045
- FSR 8140
- FSR 8200 (Grade Creek)
- FSR 8200112
- FSR 8200117 and FSR 8200116 (Oss Peak roads)
- FSR 8210
- FSR 8213
- FSR 8215
- FSR 8210125

# 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 23rd day of July, 2024. This Order supersedes Order # 06-17-02-24-13 dated July 21, 2024.

TARA UMPHRIES

Acting Forest Supervisor
Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest