CIVIL RIGHTS IMPACTS ANALYSIS

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service
Pacific Northwest Region (R6)
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Prohibited Acts: Being on a road (36 CFR § 261.54(e)) and being on a trail (36 CFR § 261.SS(a)).

Purpose:

The purpose for developing a civil rights impact analysis is to provide the Forest Service decision maker information concerning potential civil rights impacts of the proposed action.

Civil rights impacts are those which could affect the agency's ability to ensure equal opportunity in employment and in delivery of programs and services.

Favorable Impacts:

The proposed action would:

• Increase firefighter safety and the safety of Forest visitors and employees by preventing access to roads and trails adversely affected by the fire and posing risks including falling trees, landslides, and continued burning of roots, duff, and large woody debris.

Unfavorable Impacts:

The proposed action would:

• Prohibit the use of identified National Forest System roads and trails administered by the Gifford Pinchot National Forest, Cowlitz Valley Ranger District, within Lewis County, Washington.

Mitigation Measures:

• This order will be evaluated and rescinded or modified as soon as practicable.

Social Impacts:

The proposed action does not impose any unreasonable adverse impacts on the civil rights of any individuals. The area closure applies to all nonexempt personnel. The restriction is temporary. The overall benefits are reasonable, as compared to the unfavorable impacts to public safety.

Net Civil Rights Impact:

No net negative Civil Rights Impacts would occur because the area closure is general in applicability and would apply across the affected area.

Date:

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