

# U.S. Department of Agriculture, U.S. Forest Service Sawtooth National Forest, Sawtooth National Recreation Area Salmon-Challis National Forest, Middle Fork Ranger District Boise National Forest, Lowman Ranger District

# Wapiti Fire Area, Road, and Trail Closure

#### **PROHIBITIONS**

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 551 and 36 C.F.R. § 261.50 (a) and (b), the following is prohibited on the National Forest System (NFS) lands, roads, and trails in the Boise National Forest, Lowman Ranger District, Sawtooth National Forest, Sawtooth National Recreation Area, and Salmon-Challis National Forest, Middle Fork Ranger District described below and shown on the attached map incorporated into this Order as Exhibit A (the "Described Area" and "Described Roads and Trails"):

- 1. Going into or being upon the Described Area. 36 C.F.R. § 261.52(e).
- 2. Being on the Described Roads and Trails. 36 C.F.R. §§ 261.54(e), 261.55(a).

## **EXEMPTIONS**

Pursuant to 36 C.F.R. § 261.50(e), the following persons are exempt from this Order:

- 1. Persons with Forest Service Permit No. FS-7700-48 (Permit for Use of Roads, Trails, or Areas Restricted by Regulation or Order), specifically exempting them from this Order or a written determination by a Forest Service authorized officer that a permit is not required under 36 C.F.R. § 251.50(e)(1) or (2).
- 2. Any Federal, State, or Local Officer, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.
- 3. Federal or State administrative personnel in the performance of an official duty.

# **DESCRIBED AREA, ROADS, AND TRAILS**

The Described Area is the NFS lands in Emmet, Valley, Boise and Custer counties, Idaho, Boise Meridian, and within the following boundaries:

- Beginning at the intersection of State Highway 75 and NFS Road #034 in the southeast corner of Section 21, Township 11 North, Range 14 East and continuing west along State Highway 75 to the intersection with State Highway 21 in the northwest corner of Section 10, Township 10 North, Range 13 East;
- Continuing west along State Highway 21 to the city of Stanley, and the intersection with NFS Trail #396;
- Continuing south along but not including NFS Trail #396 to the intersection with NFS Trail #528;
- Continuing west along but not including NFS Trail #528 to the Sawtooth Wilderness Boundary in the southeast corner of Section 32, Township 10 North, Range 13 East;
- Continuing south along the section line to the northeast corner of Section 41, Township 9 North, Range 13 East;
- Continuing west along the section line to the northwest corner of Section 42,
   Township 9 North, Range 12 East;
- Continuing south along the boundary between Township 9 North, Range 12 East and Township 9 North, Range 13 East, to the intersection with FS Trail #101;
- Continuing northeast along NFS Trail #101 to the intersection with NFS Trail #045;
- Continuing along but not including NFS Trail #045 to the intersection with NFS Trail #092;
- Continuing west along but not including NFS Trail #092 to the intersection with NFS Trail #399:
- Continuing east along but not including NFS Trail #399 to the Sawtooth Wilderness boundary in the southeast corner of Section 26, Township 9 North, Range 13 East;
- Continuing south along the wilderness boundary to the intersection of NFS Trail #097 in the southeast corner of Section 11, Township 8 North, Range 13 East;
- Continuing west along but not including NFS Trail #097 to the intersection of NFS Trail #092 Section 15, Township 8 North, Range 13 East;

• Continuing southwest along but not including NFS Trail #092 to the intersection with NFS Trail #452 in the Section 32, Township 8 North, Range 13 East;

- Continuing west along but not including NFS Trail #452 to the intersection of NFS
  Trail #482 in the southwest corner of Section 31, Township 8 North, Range 13
  East;
- Continuing west along but not including NFS Trail #482 to the intersection of NFS
  Trail #463 in the northeast corner of Section 2, Township 7 North, Range 12
  East;
- Continuing southwest along but not including NFS Trail #463 to the intersection of NFS Trail #462 in the southwest corner of Section 11, Township 7 North, Range 12 East;
- Continuing northwest along but not including NFS Trail #462 to the intersection of NFS Trail #458 in the northwest corner of Section 4, Township 7 North, Range 12 East;
- Continuing west along but not including NFS Trail #458 to the intersection of NFS
  Trail #494 in the southeast corner of Section 6, Township 7 North, Range 12
  East;
- Continuing west along but not including NFS Trail #494 to the intersection of NFS
  Trail #459 in the northwest corner of Section 2, Township 7 North, Range 11
  East;
- Continuing west along but not including NFS Trail #459 to the intersection with the Sawtooth Wilderness Boundary in Section 1, Township 7 North, Range 10 East;
- Continuing north along the wilderness boundary to the intersection with Game Management Unit 39 and 35 in the southwest corner section of Section 10, Township 8 North, Range 10 East;
- Continuing west along the Game Management Unit boundary to the intersection with NFS Road #312 in Section 24, Township 8 North, Range 9 East;
- Continuing northwest along NFS Road #312 to the intersection between Sections 4, 5, 8, and 9, Township 8 North, Range 9 East;
- Continuing north along the section line to the intersection of Township 8 North, Range 9 East and Township 9 North, Range 9 East;
- Continuing west along the Township line to the southwest corner of Section 35, Township 9 North, Range 8 East;

- Continuing north on the section line to the intersection with Highway 21;
- Continuing west along but not including Highway 21 to the intersection with NFS Road #582 in Section 27, Township 9 North, Range 7 East;
- Continuing north along NFS Road #582 to the intersection of NFS Road #563 in Section 2, Township 11 North, Range 8 East;
- Continuing north along NFS Road #563 to the intersection with NFS Road #579 in Section 34, Township 13 North, Range 8 East;
- Continuing east along NFS Road #579 to the section line in the southeast corner of Section 44, Township 13 North, Range 10 East;
- Continuing north on the section line to the intersection with Bear Valley Creek, Section 29, Township 13 North, Range 10 East;
- Continuing east along Bear Valley Creek to the intersection with Game Management Unit 34 and 36, Section 14, Township 13 North, Range 10 East;
- Continuing east along the Game Management Unit boundary to the section line between Sections 15 and 22, Township 13 North, Range 11 East;
- Continuing east along the Section line to the intersection with NFS Road #008, Sections 18,19, Township 13 N, Range 12 East;
- Continuing south along but not including NFS Road #008 to the intersection with NFS Road #172, Section 19, Township 13 N, Range 12 East;
- Continuing east along but not including NFS Road #172 to the intersection with NFS Road #354, Section 22, Township 13 North, Range 12 East;
- Continuing southeast along but not including NFS Road #354 to the intersection with NFS Trail #034, Section 22, Township 13 North, Range 12 East;
- Continuing southeast along but not including NFS Trails #034, #032, #039, and #038 to the intersection with NFS Trail #041, Section 20, Township 12 North, Range 13 East;
- Continuing southeast along but not including NFS Trail #041 to the intersection with NFS Trail #032 and #349 to the intersection with NFS Road #034, Section 16, Township 11 North, Range 14 East;
- Continuing southeast along but not including NFS Road #034 and ending at its intersection with Highway 75, Section 21, Township 11 North, Range 14 East.

The Described Area does not include the following NFS Trails on its southeast corner or 300 feet to the north of these trails to allow access to high mountain lakes:

NFS Trails - 045, 092, 097, 399, 452, 458, 459, 462, 463, 482, 494

#### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this Order is to protect public safety during the Wapiti Fire.

### **IMPLEMENTATION**

- 1. This Order shall be in effect from August 27, 2024 at 06:00 p.m. through December 31, 2024, at 11:59 p.m., unless rescinded.
- 2. A map identifying the Described Area, Roads, and Trails is attached and made part of this Order as Exhibit A. For a digital version of this Order and Exhibit A, go to <a href="https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/htmf/alerts-notices.">https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/htmf/alerts-notices.</a>
- 3. Unless otherwise expressly defined in this Order, the terms used in this Order are defined by the regulations of the Secretary of Agriculture, 36 C.F.R. Chapter II, Parts 200-299. If there are terms in this Order that are not expressly defined in the Order or 36 C.F.R. Chapter II, Parts 200-299, their meaning shall be determined by their plain language definitions.
- 4. A violation of the above prohibitions is punishable as a Class B misdemeanor by a fine of not more than \$5,000 for individuals and \$10,000 for organizations, or by imprisonment for not more than six months, or both. 16 U.S.C. § 551; 18 U.S.C. §§ 3559, 3571, and 3581.
- 5. Contact the Lowman Ranger District in Lowman, ID at (208) 259-3361 or the Sawtooth National Recreation Area in Stanley, ID at (208) 774-3000 or the Middle Fork Ranger District in Challis, ID at (208) 879-4101 for more information about this Order.
- 6. This Order supersedes Order 0402-05-95 and any previous Orders prohibiting the same or similar acts in or on the same Described Area, Roads, and Trails.

Signed and issued on 8/27/2024

Forest Supervisor

Sawtooth National Forest

Forest Supervisor

Salmon Challis National Forest

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