# UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOREST SERVICE

## Ochoco National Forest FOREST ORDER NO. 06-07-02-25-1 Paulina Complex Fire Area Closure Order

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 551 and 36 CFR § 261.50(a) and (b), the following prohibitions are established within the Paulina Ranger District of the Ochoco National Forest within the area described below and shown on Exhibit A. This order will become effective on October 28, 2024, through December 31, 2024, unless rescinded sooner. This order rescinds and supersedes order 06-07-02-24-06.

#### **PROHIBITIONS:**

- 1. Entering or being upon an area closed for the protection of public health and safety. 36 CFR § 261.53(e)
- 2. Being on National Forest System Roads. 36 CFR § 261.54(e)
- 3. Being on a trail within the Closure Area. 36 CFR § 261.55(a)
- 4. Entering or using a developed recreation site. 36 CFR 261.58(b)

#### **CLOSURE AREA:**

Closure area consists of all geographical areas, including all roads, trails, and recreation sites, on Forest Service land within a portion of the Paulina Ranger District of the Ochoco National Forest as shown on Exhibit A (Map). This Order is effective within the area enclosed by the following boundary:

**North boundary**: Starting at the NW corner of Section (S) 30 in T.13S R25E and moving east across the Forest Boundary to the NE corner of S34 in T.13S R.26E.

**East boundary**: Starting at the NE corner of S34 in T.13S R26E moving south along the Forest Boundary to the SE corner of S10 in T.17S R26E.

**South boundary**: Starting at the NE corner of S24 in T.13S R26E moving west along the Forest Boundary to the SW corner of S6 in T.17S R26E.

**West boundary**: Starting at the SW corner of S6 in T.17S R26E and moving north to the junction with NFS 58 Road; then continuing east on NFS 58 Road to the junction with NFS 5840; then heading north and northwest on NFS 5840 Road to the junction with NFS 5810 Road; then heading south/southwest on NFS 5810 Road to the junction with NFS 3800090; then heading northwest on NFS 3800090 to the junction with NFS 38 Road; then heading east on NFS 38 Road to the junction of NFS 3800200; then heading north on NFS 3800200 to the terminus of the road at the western edge of S30 in T.13S R25E; then heading north and continuing along the western boundary of S30 in T.13S R25E to the NW corner of S30 T.13S R25E.

# Clarification/Exception:

- 1. NFS roads and/or road segments along the perimeter of the closure area are included as part of the closure, unless otherwise described and/or identified as open.
- 2. Big Spring Campground within S29 in T.14S R23E, including the entirety of NFS 4270100 road is closed.

3. The entirety of NFS 4270 Rd, including the segment within S29 in T.14S R23E, is open.

## **EXEMPTIONS:**

Pursuant to 36 CFR § 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.
- 2. Any Federal, State, or local official or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.
- 3. Owners or lessees of land within the closed area.

These prohibitions are 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 USC § 551; 18 USC § 3551, 3559, 3571, and 3581).

## **PURPOSE:**

This closure is necessary to provide for public safety and protect natural resources from the current fire hazards associated with existing and post-wildfire activity.

Executed in Prineville, Oregon, this 28th day of October 2024.

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