

**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
FOREST SERVICE**

**NATIONAL FORESTS IN NORTH CAROLINA  
Nantahala National Forest  
Tusquitee and Nantahala Ranger Districts**

Order Number 08-11-00-17-03

**Emergency Area Closure**

Pursuant to 36 CFR 261.50 (a) and (b), for the protection of public health and safety, the following acts are prohibited due to fire suppression activities on the Tusquitee and Nantahala Districts, Nantahala National Forest, in North Carolina. This order is in effect from November 15, 2016 until March 15, 2017 or until rescinded.

1. Being on a National Forest System Trail when closed by a sign, gate, or barricade. 36 CFR 261.55(a)
2. Operating, leaving, possessing, or parking a motor vehicle on any road when closed by a sign, gate, or barricade. 36 CFR 261.54(e)
3. Being in the area of closure by pedestrian and or horseback. 36 CFR 261.53(e)
4. Being in the area of closure by non-motorized or wheeled conveyance (bicycle). 36 CFR 261.54(a)

**AREA**

- Southern Nantahala Wilderness (North Carolina)
- Nantahala National Forest lands east of Eagle Fork community to Southern Nantahala Wilderness boundary
- Nantahala National Forest lands south of US 64 and Allison Creek Road (SR 1448), to the Southern Nantahala Wilderness boundary (including the Standing Indian and Hurricane Creek areas)
- Nantahala National Forest lands west of the Nantahala Mountains ridge from Mooney Gap to Wallace Gap, and west to the Southern Nantahala Wilderness boundary (including the Appalachian Trail, side trails, and shelter sites)

**ROADS**

- NFSR 56 Tallulah River Road

Violation of these prohibitions set forth above is 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 six (6) months, or both. See 16 U.S.C. 551, 18 U.S.C. 3559 and 3571.

- NFSR 6230 Dave Barret Branch Road
- NFSR 6230B Eagles Nest Road
- NFSR 6230C Loggy Branch Road
- NFSR 6332 Middle Ridge Road
- NFSR 6232A Ledford Branch Road
- NFSR 67 Upper Nantahala Road
- NFSR 67B Long Branch Road
- NFSR 67C Little Rock Branch Road
- NFSR 67D Thomas Branch Road
- NFSR 67H Curtis Creek Road
- NFSR 67J Little Indian Road
- NFSR 67L Bear Pen Mountain Road
- NFSR 67M Yellow Patch Road
- NFSR 67M1 Yellow Patch Spur Road
- NFSR 67N Betty Creek Road
- NFSR 67Q Yellow Bald Road
- NFSR 71 Deep Gap Road
- NFSR 71A Hogan Cove Road
- NFSR 71B Black Branch Road
- NFSR 71D Riley Cove Road
- NFSR 7215 Park Gap Road
- NFSR 7215A Kinsey Bald Road
- NFSR 7215B Park Creek Road
- NFSR 7215C Park Gap Spur Road
- NFSR 7216 Penland Gap Road
- NFSR 7217 Hurricane Creek Road
- NFSR 7217A Middle Hurricane Creek Road
- NFSR 7217B Upper Hurricane Creek Road
- NFSR 7217C Upper Yellow Bald Road
- NFSR 7218 Kinassy Divide Road
- NFSR 7219 Little Lyman Creek Road
- NFSR 7282 Blackwell Gap Road
- NFSR 7282A Sassafras Ridge Road
- NFSR 7282B Upper Curtis Creek Road
- NFSR 7282C Upper Long Branch Road
- NFSR 7304 Middle Gap Road
- NFSR 83 Bull Creek Road

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### TRAILS

- ~~TR 1 Appalachian Trail, side trails, and shelter sites (from GA line to NOC)~~
- TR 13 Pickens Nose Trail
- TR 20 Timber Ridge Trail
- TR 21 Little Indian Trail
- TR 22 Bear Pen Gap Trail
- TR 23 Kinsey Creek Trail
- TR 25 Yellow Patch Trail
- TR 28 Lower Trail Ridge Trail
- TR 29 Big Laurel Falls Trail
- TR 30 Waslick Poplar Trail
- TR 31 & 31A Mooney Falls Trail & Spur
- TR 32 & 32A Park Ridge Trail & Connector
- TR 33 Park Creek Trail
- TR 34 Big Indian Trail
- TR 35 Beech Gap Trail
- TR 35A Indian Ridge Trail
- TR 36 Hurricane Creek Loop Trail
- TR 36A Albert Mountain Trail
- TR 36B Camp Shortcut Trail
- TR 366 Blackwell Gap Loop Trail
- TR 367 Betty Creek Gap Trail
- TR 375 Thomas Branch Trail
- TR 377 Deep Gap Branch Trail
- TR 378 Beech Creek Trail
- TR 638 Big Scaley Trail
- TR 77 Chunky Gal Trail (entire length, from AT to Rim Trail)
- TR 84 Bly Gap Trail
- TR 86 Long Branch Trail

Pursuant to 36 CFR, Section 261.50 (e), the following persons are exempt from this order:

1. Persons with a permit specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission.
2. Any Federal, State or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.

Violation of these prohibitions set forth above is 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 six (6) months, or both. See 16 U.S.C. 551, 19 U.S.C. 3859 and 3571.

