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Memorandum

Date: August 13, 2015

To: All Park Visitors, Employees and Residents

From: Superintendent, Crater Lake National Park

Subject: National Creek Complex, Emergency Trail Closure, 36 CFR 1.5(b)

Due to potentially hazardous conditions created by the National Creek Complex Fires, the following trails are closed to entry and use until further notice:

- Pacific Crest Trail between the Crater Lake National Park north entrance road trailhead, near the Grouse Hill campsite, and the junction of the Lightning Springs Trail 3.8 miles west of Crater Lake. (The PCT alternate parallel to Crater Lake West Rim Drive remains open.)
- Boundary Springs Trail
- Bald Crater Loop Trail
- Bert Creek Trail

This closure will be implemented effective Thursday, August 13, 2015 at 12:00 noon, and will remain in effect until further notice. We will be monitoring this situation and will reopen these trails as soon as it is safe to do so.

The National Fire and Crescent Fire were ignited by lightning on August 1, 2015 and are being managed collectively as the National Creek Complex. The fires are being managed with a full suppression strategy. The trail closure is being implemented to reduce threats to public safety associated with fire activity and fire suppression operations.

This closure is implemented pursuant to the authority described in Title 36, Code of Federal Regulations 1.5(a)(1), 1.5(b) and 1.5(f). Please contact the Fire Information Office at 541-594-3063 with any questions or for additional information.

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