Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 551 and 36 CFR § 261.50 (a) and (b), the following prohibitions are established within the Blue Mountain Ranger District of the Malheur National Forest and the North Fork John Day Ranger District on the Umatilla National Forest within the area described below and shown on Exhibit A. This order will become effective on September 11, 2022, and will remain in effect until December 31, 2022, unless rescinded sooner.

**PROHIBITIONS**

1. Entering into or being upon an area closed for the protection of public health and safety. 36 CFR § 261.53(e).
2. Being on a National Forest System Road. 36 CFR § 261.54(e).
3. Being in a National Forest System Trail. 36 CFR § 261.55(a)

**CROCKETS KNOB FIRE CLOSURE AREA**

All National Forest System lands, roads, and trails within the following boundary:

Starting at the junction of county road 20 and FSR 45 (T. 10 S., R. 33 E, Section 27) heads east on country road 20 to Sunshine Guard Station then north on FSR 2000909 (T. 10 S., R. 33 E, Section 26) to junction with FSR 4550 (T. 11 S., R. 34 E, Section 5). At the junction of FSR 4550 heads north on FSR 4550 to the junction with FSR 4555 (T. 10 S., R. 33 E, Section 24) heads northeast on FSR 4555 to the Sunrise Butte Trail # 255 (T. 10 S., R. 34 E, Section 9) heads northeast to the junction with Princess Trail #251 (T. 10 S., R. 34 E, Section 4 ) heads east to Blue Mountain Trail #6141 (T. 10 S., R. 34 E, Section 3) and heads northwest to the junction FSR45 (T. 9 S., R. 33 E, Section 1) south on FSR 45 heads west and south to county road 20 (T. 10 S., R. 33 E, Section 27)

All Boundary roads and trails will be closed EXCEPT county road 20 from the junction of FSR 45 to junction FSR 2000909 at Sunshine Guard Station.

The closure area does not include any private land.

**Road Closures:**

FSR 4550
FSR 45

**Trail Closures:**

The Princess Trail, #251
The Big Boulder Trail, #242
The Indian Rock Trail, #3039
The South Fork Desolation Trail, #3001
The Sunrise Butte Trail, #255
The Blue Mountain Trail, #6141

**Campground Closed:**

Head O’ Boulder at T. 9 S, R 33 E, Section 25,

**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 Order), specifically exempting them from this order.
2. Any Federal, State, or local Officer or member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.
3. Forest Service employees performing official duties.

These prohibitions are in addition to the general prohibitions in 36 CFR Part 261, Subpart A.

Violations of these prohibitions 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 U.S.C. § 551; 18 U.S.C. §§ 3551, 3559, 3571, and 3581).

Executed in John Day, Oregon this ___9th____ day of September 2022.

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