



## WALLOWA-WHITMAN NATIONAL FOREST

Forest Order # 2017-0616 WW- 009



### FIRE RESTRICTIONS

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Pursuant to 36 CFR, Sec. 261.50(a) and (b), the following acts are prohibited on all areas within the Wallowa-Whitman National Forest, except for that portion of the Hells Canyon National Recreation Area located on the sections of the Nez Perce – Clearwater and Payette National Forests in Idaho, administered by the Wallowa-Whitman National Forest, and the area within a ¼ mile of the Snake River between Hells Canyon Dam, River Mile 247.5, downstream to the Oregon-Washington border at Snake River Mile 176.0, beginning 00:01, September 29, 2017, expiring October 31, 2017 unless replaced:

1. It is prohibited to build, tend or maintain a campfire, including fires with charcoal briquette fires (**36 CFR 261.52a**), except in accordance with the following requirements:
  1. **Campfires** allowed only in fire pits surrounded by dirt, rock, or commercial rings and in areas not conducive to rapid fire spread, at a minimum clear of all flammable material within a radius of 3 feet from the edge of the pit and free of overhanging material. Use existing pits wherever possible.
    - a. Campfires must be attended at all times, and completely extinguished prior to leaving.
    - b. Persons with campfires are required to have a tool that can serve as a shovel and one gallon of water in their possession (except in specified developed recreation sites listed in Exhibit A where campground host is present). The intent of this requirement is to ensure individuals with a campfire to have the tools necessary to completely extinguish their campfire per “a” above.
    - c. Portable cooking stoves using liquefied or bottled gas and wood burning stoves equipped with a chimney that is at least five (5) feet in length with a spark-arresting screen consisting of ¼ inch mesh hardware cloth are allowed.
    - d. Use of charcoal briquettes is permitted under the same restrictions as campfires as described above.



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Within designated wilderness areas users are encouraged to locate fires such that minimal disturbance would be necessary to meet the clearing requirements identified. Naturally cleared areas, previously used sites, and areas where vegetation is non-flammable (green grass) are examples. Possession of a typical backpacking folding shovel (commercially available) meets the intent of a tool as described in item “b” above.

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

- (1.) Persons with a permit specifically authorizing the 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.

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

Done at Baker City, Oregon, this 29 day of September, 2017.

/s/Charles T. Oliver

Charles T. Oliver  
Deputy Forest Supervisor  
Wallowa-Whitman National Forest

Violation of these prohibitions is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5000 for an individual or \$10,000 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than 6 months, or both. (16 U.S.C. 551 and 18 U.S.C. 3559 and 3571)



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## EXHIBIT A

### **Wallowa-Whitman National Forest Developed Recreation Sites**

#### **Near Baker City, Oregon**

\*Anthony Lakes Campground and Picnic Area

*(Water and Shovel not required)*

Grande Ronde Lake Campground and Day Use

McCully Forks Campground

Millers Lane Campground

Mud Lake Campground

Peavy Cabin

Southwest Shore Campground

\*Union Creek Campground & Picnic Area  
*(Water and Shovel not required)*

#### **Near La Grande, Oregon**

Birdtrack Springs Campground

Boulder Park Campground

Buck Creek Trailhead

Moss Springs Campground

North Fork Catherine Ck. Campground

North Fork Catherine Ck. Trailhead

North Fork Catherine Ck. Group Camp

Spool Cart Campground

Spring Creek Campground

Two Color Campground & Guard Station

Umapine Campground

West Eagle Meadow Campground & Horse Camp

#### **Near Unity, Oregon**

Antlers Guard Station

Elk Creek Campground

Oregon Campground

South Fork Campground

Steven's Creek Campground

Wetmore Campground

Yellow Pine Campground

#### **Near Enterprise, Oregon**

Arrow Forest Campground

Blackhorse Campground

Boundary Campground

Buckhorn Campground

Canyon Forest Campground

Coverdale Campground

Coyote Campground./

Dougherty Campground

Hidden Campground

Hurricane Creek Campground

Irondyke Campground

Indian Crossing Campground

Lick Creek Campground

Lostine River Corridor Campsites

Ollokot Campground

Pole Bridge Day Use

Saddle Creek Campground

Shady Campground

Turkey Flats Campground

Two Pan Campground

Vigne Campground

Walla Walla Campground

Williamson Campground

#### **Near Halfway, Oregon**

Eagle Forks Campground

\*Fish Lake Campground

*(Water and Shovel not required)*

Lake Fork Campground

McBride Campground

Twin Lakes Campground

Tamarack Campground

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\*Campgrounds with camp hosts in attendance, exempt from campfire fire tool requirement.



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### Assessment of Need and Enforcement Plan

#### **1. Background:**

These restrictions have been deemed necessary because of increasingly dry fire conditions on the forest.

#### **2. Intent of Subpart B Order:**

These restrictions are intended to reduce the occurrence of human caused wildfires.

#### **3. Enforcement Plan:**

This order will be enforceable by LEOs, FPOs and Special agents. Education will be emphasized during initial implementation phase of this order. Officers will exercise normal discretion in resolving violations. Evening patrols will be emphasized, especially on weekends.

#### **4. Posting:**

The forest and district staff is responsible for posting this order in a reasonable manner.