

HELENA NATIONAL FOREST
2880 Skyway Drive
Helena, MT 59602
EMERGENCY CLOSURE ORDER

National Forest System roads

Pursuant to Title 36 Code of Federal Regulations 261.50 (a) and (b), the following restrictions are in effect on the Helena National Forest. These restrictions are in addition to those enumerated in Subpart A, Part 261, Title 36, Code of Federal Regulations, and become effective when signed and will remain in effect until March 1st, 2006, or until rescinded.

36 CFR 261.54 –National Forest System roads:

Using any type of vehicle prohibited by the order. [Title 36, 261.54 (a)]
Use of any type of traffic prohibited by the order. [Title 36, 261.54 (b)]

For the purpose of this order it is prohibited for any persons to operate an off-highway vehicle (snowmobile) from 12 a.m. Monday until 12 a.m. Saturday on Copper Creek Road #330 from the Landers Fork Bridge T15N R8W S36 to Snowbank Lake/Copper Creek Campground in T15N R8W S4. It is prohibited for any persons to use this road for non-motorized activities from 12 a.m. Monday until 12 a.m. Saturday.

For the purpose of this order it is prohibited for any persons to operate a motorized vehicle (wheeled vehicles and snowmobiles) from 12 a.m. Monday until 12 a.m. Saturday on Big Mountain/Upper Copper Creek Road #1881 and Sucker Creek Road #1800 from the junction of Big Mountain/ Upper Copper Creek Road beginning in T15N R8W S34 to Copper Creek Road #330. It is also prohibited for any persons to use these roads for non-motorized activities from 12 a.m. Monday until 12 a.m. Saturday.

For the purpose of this order it is prohibited for any persons to operate a wheeled vehicle from 12 a.m. Saturday until 12 a.m. Monday on Copper Creek Road #330 from Landers Fork Bridge north beginning in T15N R8W S36 and on Big Mountain/Upper Copper Creek Road #1881 and Sucker Creek Road #1800 from the junction of Big Mountain/ Upper Copper Creek Road beginning in T15N R8W S34.


Exemptions:

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

1. Any person with a permit authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission or associated with the Snow Talon Salvage Contract.

2. Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or fighting force in the performance of an official duty.
3. Mushers (dog sledders) with authorization to train on these roads from 5 p.m. to 3 a.m. daily.

Done at Lincoln, Montana, this 6th day of January, 2006.



for Kevin T. Riordan
Forest Supervisor

Penalty:

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 six months, or both. [16 U.S.C. 551, and 18 U.S.C. 3559 and 3571]

Notification: A copy of this order shall be posted as prescribed under 36 CFR 261.51

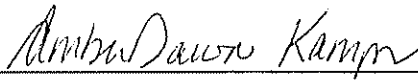
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RESINDING ORDER

Pursuant to Title 36 Code of Federal Regulations 261.50 Special Restriction Order HNF-06-01 for the Helena National Forest dated January 6th, 2006 and signed by the Acting Forest Supervisor is hereby rescinded.

Signed this 11th day of January, 2006



for Kevin T. Riordan
Forest Supervisor