Emergency Restrictions Now in Effect On BLM Public lands in the Juniper Dunes Located in Franklin County, Washington State

Uses and Activities restricted: 43 CFR 8364.1(b)(2) (CFR = Code of Federal Regulations)

Approved Safety Helmets must be worn by all ATV/ORV operators and riders on all BLM public or leased lands and roads within the Juniper Dunes area any time the ATV/ORV is being operated. (ATV = All Terrain Vehicle) (ORV = Off Road Vehicle) See attached map for location of BLM lands in the Juniper Dunes area.

No operator of an ATV/ORV shall carry a passenger while operating on BLM public lands and roads, except that a passenger may be carried if the ATV/ORV is designed by the manufacturer to carry a passenger.

Safety Flags are required on ALL vehicles operating off road on BLM lands in the Juniper Dunes. All such vehicles will have a whip mast and a 6 X 12 inch red/orange flag. Flags may be of pennant, triangle, square or rectangular shape. Safety flags must be attached within 10 inches of the tip of the whip mast with club or other flags mounted below the safety flag or on another whip. Masts will be either minimum of six feet in height/length or industry standard height/length.

Safety flags are required for all ATV/ORV vehicles on the Peterson Road, Juniper Road and Wilderness Road but are not required for street legal four wheeled passenger vehicles on those roads.

ATV/ORV's and other off road vehicles must have current and valid State registration and tabs/stickers visible on the ATV/ORV.

Wood pallets can not be used for any type of fire on BLM public lands or roads in the Juniper Dunes area.

Personal identification including but not limited to driver's licenses must be on person at all times for the operator of the ORV while the ORV is in use.

The three access roads (Peterson Road, Juniper Road and Wilderness Road) are for general vehicle access only and are not to be used for racing, back and forth driving or other unsafe acts.

NOTE: No motorized or mechanized vehicles can be used at any time on the BLM public lands located within the Juniper Dunes Wilderness portion of the Juniper Dunes public lands. Exceptions are made for law enforcement, fire, search & rescue, medical emergencies and other situations involving extreme conditions authorized by the approving official.

Reasons for Emergency Restrictions: 43 CFR 8364.1(b)(7)

The Juniper Dunes BLM Public Lands have experienced a major increase in off road vehicle use and have experienced significant increases in illegal and unsafe acts and incidents.

The safety related restrictions noted above are for the purpose of enhancing public safety, reducing conflicts with adjoining landowners, reducing damage to adjoining private lands and to improve the experience of the law abiding public citizens.

Effective Dates of Emergency Restrictions: 43 CFR 8364.1(b)(3)

From May 18, 2007 through December 31, 2007 or until such time as supplemental rules governing the same regulations as above have been enacted.

Legal Basis of Emergency Restrictions: 43 CFR 8364.1

Pursuant to 43 CFR 8364.1 these emergency regulations are in effect on May 18, 2007.

Violation of these prohibitions is punishable by a fine of not more than \$1,000 or to imprisonment of not more than 12 months, or both.

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May 18, 2007

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