Lolo National Forest

Building 24, Fort Missoula Missoula, MT 59804

Special Restrictions Blue Mountain Recreation Area

Missoula Ranger District, Lolo National Forest Missoula County, Montana

Pursuant to Title 36 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 261.50(a) and (b) the following acts are prohibited in the Blue Mountain Recreation Area of the Lolo National Forest as shown on the attached map. These restrictions are in addition to those general prohibitions in Title 36 CFR, Part 261, Subpart A, become effective when signed and remain in effect until revoked.

36 CFR 261.53 – Special Closures:

It is prohibited to go into or be upon any area which is closed by posting a sign and/or a physical barrier for the protection of threatened, endangered, rare, unique or vanishing species, special biological areas, public health or safety or property. Title 36 CFR 261.53((a)(b)(e) and (f)).

Area Description:

- Blue Mountain Recreation Area: West Zone. The boundary between the East and West Zone is as follows. The line begins at the northwest corner of the southwest quarter of Section 33, T13N, R20W, PMM and runs south on the section line until joining Blue Mountain Rd. No. 365 at approximately milepost 4.2. The line then follows the Blue Mountain Road south and west until approximate milepost 8, the big switchback in Section 7. The boundary then descends on a northeast ridgeline until meeting the section line between 7 and 8, and then follows the section line south to the section corner of Sections 7, 8, 17, and 18 T12N, R20W, PMM..
- Blue Mountain Recreation Area: East Zone. East of the West Zone boundary above extending to the National Forest boundary as shown on the attached Exhibit A.
- Maclay Flats: that portion of the National Forest between county road #30 and the Bitterroot River. This includes National Forest System lands in section 34 and 35, T13N, R20W, and Section 3, T12N, R20W, PMM.
- These areas are designated on the Blue Mountain Recreation Area map attached as Exhibit A and hereby made a part of this Order.

Exemptions:

- 1. Persons with a permit, specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission (36 CFR 261.50(e)(1)).
- 2. Any federal, state, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty (36 CFR 261.50(e)(4)).

for DEBORAH L. R. AUSTIN
Forest Supervisor
Lolo National Forest

December 12, 2007
Date

Penalty:

Violations of these restrictions are punishable by a fine of up to \$5000 or imprisonment for up to 6 months, or both (16 USC 551).

Notification:

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