

Original Review Sheet

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SUB PART B ORDER
REQUEST/JUSTIFICATION FORM
ORDER NUMBER BHNF- 56

1. STATE THE DESIRED PROHIBITED ACT:

This order will in essence create the Black Hills Snowmobile Trail System for the 2000/2001 season. The order will prohibit wheeled vehicle travel on designated snowmobile trails and will prohibit snowmobile travel on plowed roads, big game winter range, and cross country ski areas.

2. REASON FOR THE ORDER:

These regulations are intended to provide for the safety of recreationists and others who use the Black Hills National Forest during the winter months through minimizing the mix of wheeled vehicle and snowmobile traffic. The regulations will also provide for security of big game winter range from intrusion by snow machines. The input from each ranger district has been incorporated into this order. **The closures and trails included on this order have been coordinated with the salvage efforts and other activities associated with the Jasper Fire.**

3. HAVE OTHER METHODS BEEN TRIED TO RESOLVE THIS PROBLEM?

This question is not applicable. The order is the method by which snowmobile trails are implemented annually on the Black Hills National Forest.

4. PERIOD OF TIME THE ORDER WILL BE IN EFFECT:

December 15, 2000 through March 31, 2001, inclusive.

5. LIST THOSE EXEMPT FROM THE ORDER:

Pursuant to 36 CFR 261.50(e) each of the following is exempted from this order:

- any military, fire, rescue, or law enforcement vehicle when used for emergency purposes
- any vehicle whose use is expressly authorized by the Forest Supervisor under a permit, lease, license, contract, or for performance of an official duty.

6. HAS AN ENFORCEMENT PLAN AND A SIGN PLAN BEEN ESTABLISHED? WHO WILL ENFORCE THE ORDER?

Sign plan is part of the annual operating plan developed jointly between the Forest Service and South Dakota Department of Game, Fish, and Parks. Primary responsibility for signing pertinent to the order is with the individual ranger districts. Lead responsibility for enforcement of the order is Forest Service Law Enforcement and Investigations. South Dakota Department of Game, Fish, and Parks will also provide enforcement.

7. WILL THIS ORDER BE REVIEWED ANNUALLY FOR NEED AND PROPER

ENFORCEMENT? Yes, it is revised and re-issued annually to reflect needs of the current season.

8. HAS THE PUBLIC BEEN NOTIFIED? Not at this time. This order is not an issue with the public because much of the affected area is not accessible except by snowmobile and it has been implemented annually for many years so the public has come to expect it and accept it.



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File Code: 1010/2300
Route To:

Date: November 30, 2000

Subject: 2000-2001 Snowmobile Trail Map with Vehicle Closures

To: All Units

Enclosed are copies of the 2000-2001 Snowmobile Trail Map with Vehicle Closures and the Public Notice. Please post one copy each of the Order and the Public Notice in your Special Orders book and another copy in your files. Post the other copies as appropriate on your unit. If you have questions regarding this map, please contact Galen Roesler, extension 3685. For information about the posting requirements, please contact Marcia Eisenbraun, extension 9201.


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Enclosure

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