Motor Vehicle Use Map
Cherokee National Forest

TELLICO RANGER DISTRICT

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LEGEND

- Roads Open to Highway Legal Vehicles Only
- Trails Open to Motorcycles Only
- Special Vehicle Designation (See Table)
- Seasonal Designation (See Table) {Use along with road and trail symbols listed above}
- Interstate
- Other Public Roads
- Forest or Unit Boundary
- Non-National Forest System Lands within this National Forest
- Wilderness
- Lakes

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VICINITY MAP

Information Sources

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(423) 253-8400

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423-442-3911

Emergencies:
Dial 911

PURPOSE AND CONTENTS OF THIS MAP

This map, dated 01/01/2008, shows the National Forest System roads, National Forest System trails, and the areas on National Forest System lands in the Tellico Ranger District that are designated for motor vehicle use pursuant to 36 CFR 212.51. The map also contains a list of those designated roads, trails, and areas that enumerates the types of vehicles that are allowed on each route and in each area and any seasonal restrictions that apply on those routes and in those areas.

Designation of a road, trail, or area for motor vehicle use by a particular class of vehicle under 36 CFR 212.51 should not be interpreted as encouraging or inviting use, or to imply that the road, trail or area is passable, actively maintained, or safe for travel. Motor vehicle designations include parking along designated routes and at facilities associated with designated routes when it is safe to do so and when not causing damage to National Forest System resources. Seasonal weather conditions and natural events may render designated routes and trails impassable for extended periods. Designated areas may contain dangerous or impassable terrain. Many designated roads and trails may be passable only by high-clearance vehicles or four-wheel drive vehicles. Maintenance of designated roads and trails will depend on available resources, and many may receive little maintenance.

This motor vehicle use map identifies those roads, trails and areas designated for the motor vehicle use under 36 CFR 212.51 for the purpose of enforcing the prohibition at 36 CFR 261.13. This is a limited purpose. The other public roads are shown for information and navigation purposes only, and are not subject to designation under the Forest Service travel management regulation.

These designations apply only to National Forest System roads, National Forest System trails and areas on National Forest System lands.

PROHIBITIONS

It is prohibited to posses or operate a motor vehicle on National Forest System lands on the Tellico Ranger District other than in accordance with these designations (CFR 261.13)

Violations of 36 CFR 261.13 are subject to a fine of up to $5000 or imprisonment for up to six months or both (U.S.C. 3571(e)).This prohibition applies regardless of the presence or absence of signs.

This map does not display non-motorized uses, over-snow uses, or other facilities and attractions on the Tellico Ranger District. Obtain a forest visitor map for more complete information.

Designated roads, trails and areas may also be subject to temporary, emergency closures, and visitors must comply with signs notifying them of such restrictions. A national forest may issue an order to close a road, trail or area on a temporary basis to protect the life, health or safety of forest visitors or the natural or cultural resources in these areas. Such a temporary and/or emergency closures are consistent with the Travel Management Rule (36 CFR 212.52(b); 36 CFR 261 subpart B).

The designation "road or trail open to all motor vehicles" does not supersede vehicle size or weight limits imposed through state traffic law.

OPERATOR RESPONSIBILITIES

Operating a motor vehicle on National Forest System roads, National Forest System trails, and in areas on National Forest System lands carries a greater responsibility than operating that vehicle in a city or other developed setting. Not only must the motor vehicle operators know and follow all applicable traffic laws, but they need to show concern for the environment as well as other forest users. The misuse of motor vehicles can lead to the temporary or permanent closure of any designated road, trail or area. Operators of motor vehicles are subject to State traffic law, including State requirements for licensing, registration, and operation of the vehicle in question.

Motor vehicle use, especially off-highway vehicle use, involves inherent risks that may cause property damage, serious injury, and possibly death to participants. Riders should drive cautiously and anticipate rough surfaces and features such as snow, mud, vegetation, and water crossings common to remote driving conditions. Participants voluntarily assume full responsibility for these damages, risks, and dangers. Motor vehicle operators should take care at all times to protect themselves and those under their responsibility.

Much of the Tellico Ranger District is remote, and medical assistance may not be readily available. Cellular telephones do not work in many areas of the Tellico Ranger District. Operators should take adequate food, water, first aid supplies, and other equipment appropriate for the conditions and expected weather.

ALWAYS REMEMBER TO RESPECT PRIVATE LAND! PROTECT YOUR PRIVILEGE. STAY ON DESIGNATED ROADS, TRAILS AND IN DESIGNATED AREAS.

Read and understand this map in its entirety. If you have questions, please contact the Tellico Ranger District for clarification.

Road, trail, and area users must comply with this map as well as all Federal, State, and local laws and regulations. Compliance with these rules is the responsibility of the user.

EXPLANATION OF LEGEND ITEMS

Roads Open to Highway Legal Vehicles Only:

These roads are open only to motor vehicles licensed under State law for general operation on all public roads within the State.

Trails Open to Motorcycles Only:

These trails are open only to motorcycles. Sidecars are not permitted.

Special Vehicle Designation:

This symbol indicates that the road or trail is open to classes of vehicles other than those listed above. Refer to the Seasonal and Special Designation Table for further instructions.

Seasonal Designation:

This symbol, used in conjunction with one of the other road or trail symbols, indicates that the road or trail is open only during certain portions of the year. Refer to the Seasonal and Special Designation Table for further instructions.

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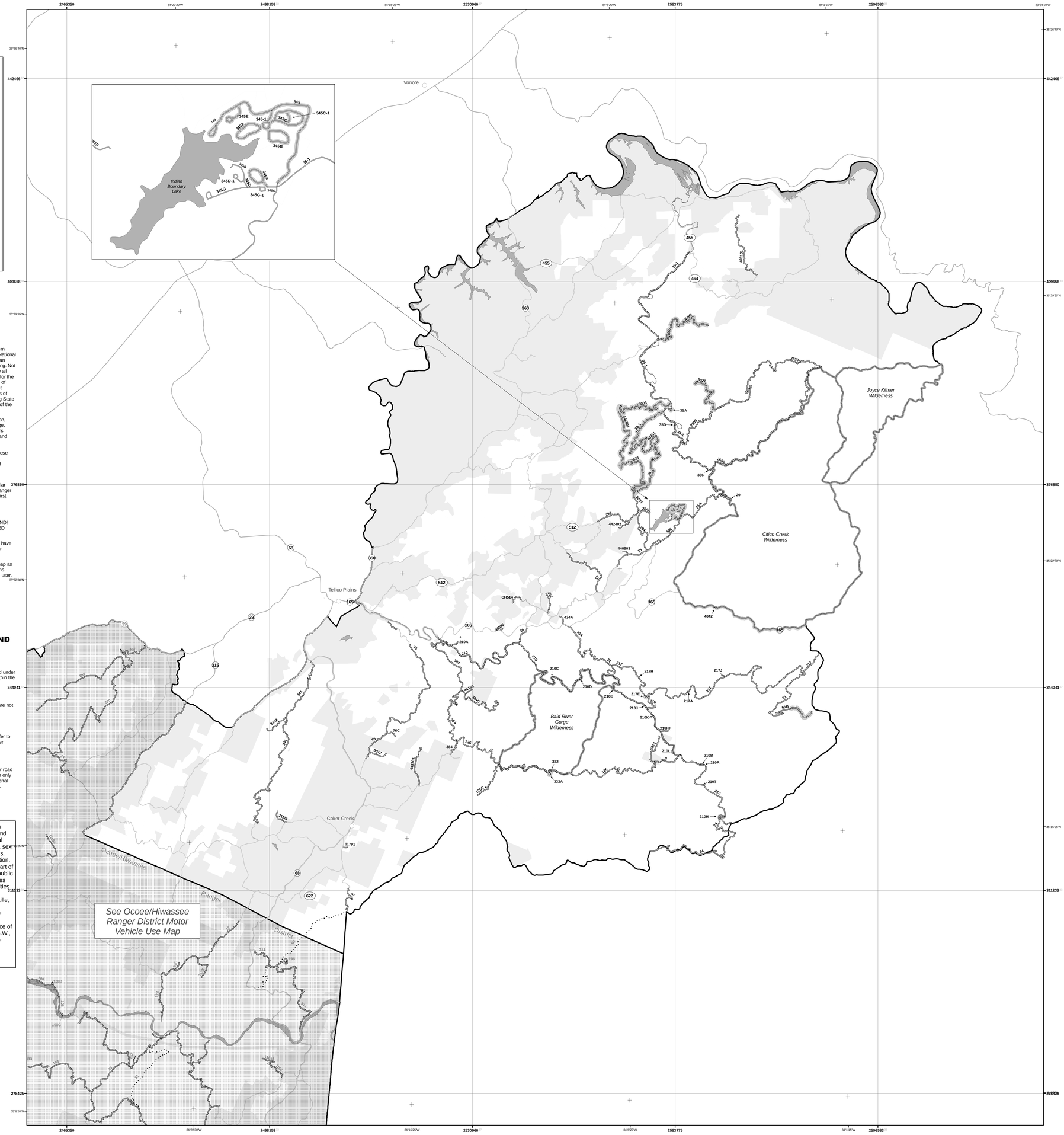

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