

**ORDER OF THE FOREST SUPERVISOR**  
CLOSING AN AREA TO ENTRY, TO WIT:

GANDY CREEK DISPERSED AREA  
CHEAT-POTOMAC RANGER DISTRICT  
MONONGAHELA NATIONAL FOREST, WEST VIRGINIA

Under authority of the Act of Congress dated June 4, 1897, as amended (16 U.S.C. 551), and pursuant to the Secretary of Agriculture's regulation set forth at 36 CFR 261, sub Part B (36CFR 261.50 (a) and (b)), the following acts and omissions are prohibited within the Gandy Creek Dispersed Camping area, Along State Route 29 located in Randolph County in the state of West Virginia. The said area being described and designated as shown on the map set forth as exhibit A, which is attached hereto and made a part hereto:

The following are prohibited:

1. Camping, except at campsites designated by a campsite sign. (36 CFR 26.58(e)).
2. Possessing, parking or leaving more than two vehicles, except motorcycles or bicycles, per campsite, excluding the Johnny Meadows Group site. (36 CFR 261.58(i)).
3. Hitching, tethering, or hobbling a horse or other saddle or pack animal between Gandy Creek Road, State Route 29 and Gandy Creek. Except for the Johnny Meadows group camp site, on the west side of Route 29. (36 CFR 261.58(aa)).

**THESE RESTRICTIONS ARE NECESSARY FOR PUBLIC SAFETY AND TO PROTECT NATIONAL FOREST PROPERTY. THEY ARE IN ADDITION TO THE GENERAL PROHIBITIONS SET FORTH IN 36 CFR PART 261. THE PROHIBITIONS WILL BE IN EFFECT FROM THE DATE OF THIS ORDER UNTIL SPECIFICALLY WITHDRAWN BY TERMINATION ORDER OF THE FOREST SUPERVISOR.**

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

1. Persons with a permit specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission (36 CFR 261.50(e)(1)); and,
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)),

Violation of these prohibitions is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5000.00 for an individual or \$10,000.00 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than six (6) months, or both (16 U.S.C. 551, 18 U.S. C. 3559 and 3571).

Dated this 17<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2008, at Elkins, West Virginia  
United States Department of Agriculture  
Forest Service

/s/ Clyde N. Thompson  
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