

August 24, 2018

PLEASE NOTE: The Helena-Lewis & Clark National Forest has the following four food storage regulations (called Food Storage Orders by the US Forest Service) in effect.

For detailed information, please call Helena-Lewis & Clark National Forest at 406-449-5201 or 406-791-7700 or see their website at <https://www.fs.usda.gov/hlcnf/>

Food Storage Orders included in this document

Food Storage Order LC00-18 (includes Flathead, Lewis & Clark, Lolo, and Helena National Forests in Northern Continental Divide Ecosystem)

- Helena-Lewis & Clark National Forests
 - Rocky Mountain Ranger District
 - Lincoln Ranger District

Food Storage Order H-05-01

- Helena-Lewis & Clark National Forests
 - Lincoln Ranger District Lands South of Hwy 200

Food Storage Order 01-15-18-04

- Helena-Lewis & Clark National Forests
 - Belt Creek-White Sulphur Springs Ranger District (except the Crazy Mountain Range which is covered by Food Storage Order 01-15-07-18-05)
 - Judith -Musselshell Ranger District
 - Helena Ranger District
 - Townsend Ranger District
 - White Sulphur Springs Ranger District

Food Storage Order 01-15-07-18-05

- Helena-Lewis & Clark National Forests
 - Crazy Mountain Range of the Belt Creek-White Sulphur Springs Ranger District

FOOD STORAGE SPECIAL ORDER H-05-01

OCCUPANCY AND USE RESTRICTIONS

LINCOLN RANGER DISTRICT LANDS SOUTH OF HWY 200

Helena National Forest

REGION ONE

USDA, FOREST SERVICE

Pursuant to 36 Code of Federal Regulations 261.50 (a) and (b), the following restrictions are in effect on the National Forest lands of the Lincoln Ranger District that are located south of Highway 200 including lands east and west of Highway 279. These restrictions are in addition to those enumerated in Subpart A, Part 261, Title 36, Code of Federal Regulations and become effective when signed, and shall remain in effect until rescinded or revoked.

1. Possessing or storing any food or refuse, as specified in the order from April 1 to December 1, annually. [36 CFR 261.58(cc)]
2. Possessing, storing or transporting any bird, fish or other animal, or parts thereof as specified in the order from April 1 to December 1, annually. [36 CFR 261.58(s)]

This expansion of the food storage order to the remaining lands on the Lincoln Ranger District will cover occupied grizzly bear habitat and enhance this mitigation for the Northern Continental Divide Ecosystem which consists of National Forest System lands included within the boundaries of the Flathead, Lewis and Clark, Lolo and Helena National Forests and further defined on the attached map (Exhibit A). The National Forest lands hereby made part of this order are defined in Exhibit C. Also attached and hereby made part of this order is Food Storage Special Order Information and Definitions (Exhibit B).

UNDER THIS ORDER IT IS REQUIRED THAT:

1. Human, pet and livestock food (except baled or cubed hay without additives), and garbage shall be attended or stored in a bear-resistant manner.
2. Wildlife carcasses that are within 1/2-mile of any camp or sleeping area shall be stored in a bear-resistant manner during nighttime hours.
3. Burnable attractants (such as food leftovers or bacon grease) shall not be buried, discarded, or burned in an open campfire.
4. The responsible party shall report the death and location of livestock to a Forest Service official within 24 hours of discovery.


FOOD STORAGE SPECIAL ORDER H-05-01

OCCUPANCY AND USE RESTRICTIONS

Pursuant to 36 CFR 261.50(e) the following persons may be exempt from this order (the Helena Forest Supervisor or their designee are delegated the authority to grant the exemption in writing):

1. Persons with a permit specifically authorizing the prohibited act or omission.
2. Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.

Done this 21th day of April, 2005.


for JANE P. KOLLMAYER
Acting Forest Supervisor
Helena National Forest

Attractants may be "attended" rather than stored in a bear-resistant manner. However, it is strongly recommended that attractants and all items with odors be stored in bear-resistant containers or suspended 10 feet high and 4 feet away from the supporting structure and stored at least 300 feet from any sleeping area.

The purpose of these restrictions are to minimize grizzly bear-human conflicts and, thereby, provide for visitor safety and recovery of the grizzly bear within the boundaries of the Lincoln Ranger District.

Violations of these prohibitions are punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000 for an individual or \$10,000 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than 6 months, or both (16 U.S.C 551 and 18 U.S.C. 3559 and 3571).

EXHIBIT "A"

SPECIAL ORDER - FOOD STORAGE

NORTHERN CONTINENTAL DIVIDE GRIZZLY BEAR ECOSYSTEM

Northern Region - Flathead, Lewis & Clark, Lolo and Helena National Forests

KEY

— Special Order Boundary

The boundary identified on this map is approximate and only applies to National Forest system lands. Contact your local Forest Service office for exact boundaries.

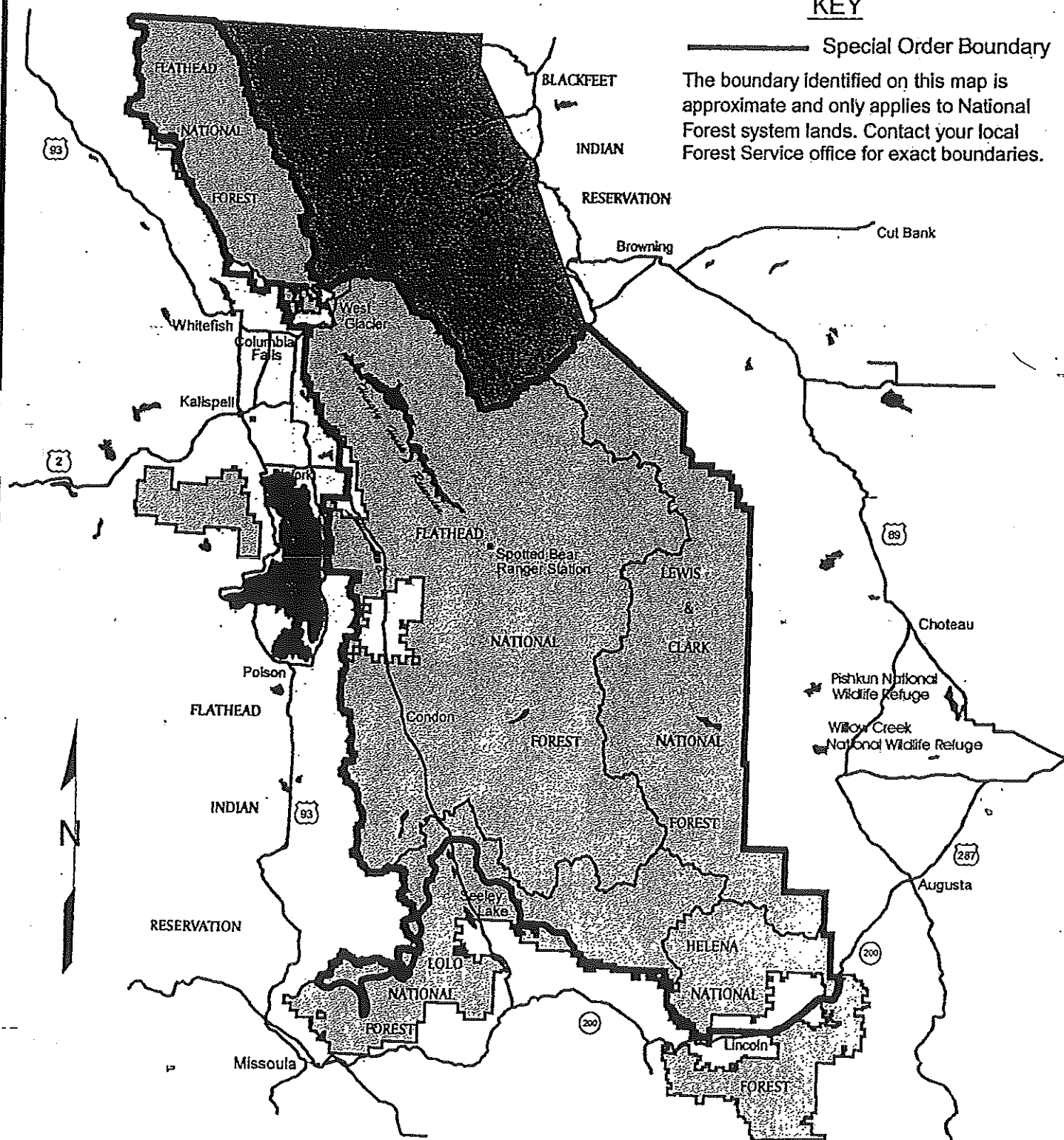


EXHIBIT "B"

FOOD STORAGE SPECIAL ORDER INFORMATION AND DEFINITIONS

DEFINITIONS

7. **Contained fire stove:** a metal stove that completely encloses the fire.
8. **Daytime:** 1/2-hour before sunrise until 1/2-hour after sunset.
9. **Nighttime:** 1/2-hour after sunset until 1/2-hour before sunrise.
10. **Livestock:** A domesticated animal, such as mule, horse, llama, or goat.
11. **Wildlife carcass:** The body, or any parts thereof, of any deceased wild animal, bird, or fish.
12. **Approved electric fence will meet, as a minimum, the following specifications (refer to Forest Service publication 9623-2850-MTDC for more description of fence specifications and set-up):**
 - a. The fence will be set up as a "tight wire" fence. The wire will be tight and under tension, not loose or sagging.
 - b. Minimum fence height.....4 feet.
 - c. Minimum post height.....5 feet.
 - d. Maximum spacing between posts.....8 feet.
 - e. Conductors (wire): Minimum of 7 wires, with 6-10 inch spacing between wires. Bottom wire must be within 2 inches of the ground. All wire must be smooth metal fence wire of at least 16 gauge or poly wire, except the top wire which may be poly tape of at least six strand stainless steel.
 - f. The system will be set up to operate both as a ground wire return and a grounded system. The 2 top wires will be hot, with all other wires alternating hot and ground. The minimum length ground rod is 2 feet.
 - g. Fence charger (minimum): (1) stored energy of 0.7 joules; (2) tested peak output of 5000 volts; (3) 40 shocks per minute. **User must be able to test electrical output in the field.**
 - h. The charger must be made inaccessible to disturbance from a bear. The charger may be stored within the interior of the fence or located a minimum of 10 feet above ground.
 - i. Minimum distance between fence and items enclosed by electric fence.....3 feet.

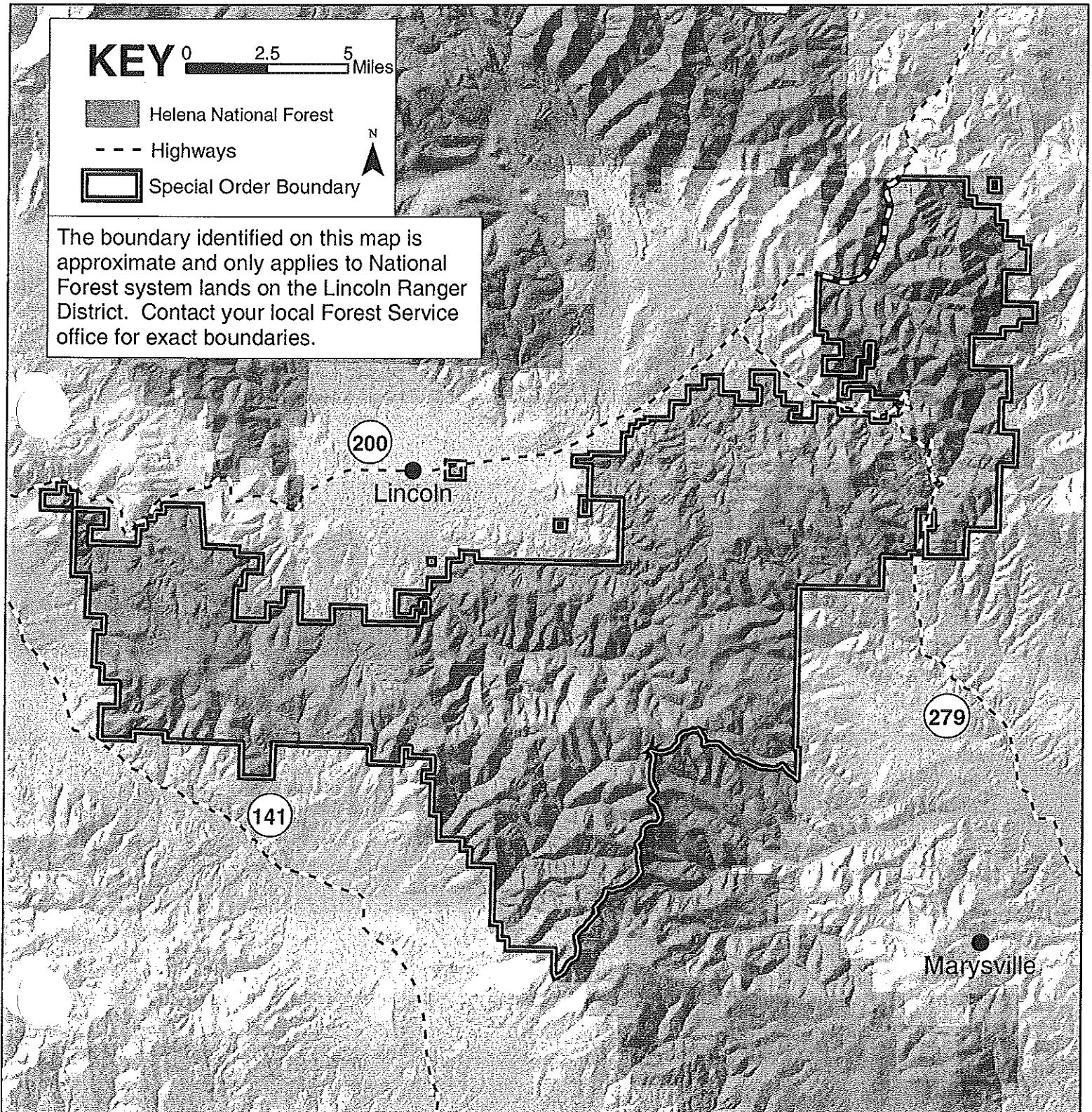
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Exhibit "C"

SPECIAL ORDER - FOOD STORAGE LINCOLN RANGER DISTRICT SOUTH OF HIGHWAY 200 Northern Region - Helena National Forest



**USDA FOREST SERVICE
NORTHERN REGION**

Helena-Lewis and Clark National Forest
Belt Creek - White Sulphur Springs - Judith - Mussellshell - Helena - Townsend Ranger Districts
White Sulphur Springs, Stanford, Helena and Townsend, Montana

OCCUPANCY AND USE PROHIBITIONS

Food Storage Order #01-15-00-18-04

Pursuant to 16 USC 551, 36 CFR§261.50 (a) and (b), the following order covers the Belt Creek - White Sulphur Springs, Judith - Mussellshell, Helena, and Townsend Ranger Districts, *except* in the Crazies Mountain Range on the Belt Creek - White Sulphur Springs Ranger District as shown on the attached map. These restrictions are in addition to those enumerated in Subpart A, Part 261, Title 36, Code of Federal Regulations and become effective when signed, remaining in effect until rescinded or revoked. This Order supersedes and replaces Forest Supervisors Order 01-15-16-01 invoked on April 1, 2016, which is hereby rescinded.

The following acts, omissions, prohibitions and restrictions are enacted by this order:

- 1. All human food, pet food, or other attractants must be attended during daylight hours or otherwise acceptably stored in a bear-resistant manner. 36 CFR § 261.58(cc)**
- 2. All food or other attractants must be acceptably stored during nighttime hours, unless it is being prepared for eating, being eaten, transported or being prepared for acceptable storage. 36 CFR § 261.58(cc)**
- 3. Attractants (such as garbage, food leftovers, bacon grease, etc.) shall not be buried, discarded, or burned in an open fire. 36 CFR § 261.58(cc)**
- 4. Wildlife carcasses that are within ½-mile of any camp or sleeping area shall be stored in a bear-resistant manner during nighttime hours. 36 CFR § 261.58(s)**

This Order is effective from March 1 to December 1 annually until amended or rescinded.

Also attached and hereby made part of this order is **Exhibit A** – “Food Storage Special Order Information and Definitions”, which defines the terms used in support of the restrictions.

Pursuant to 36 CFR 261.50(e) the following persons may be exempt from this order.

1. Persons with a permit specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission.
2. Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.

These prohibitions are in addition to the general prohibitions in 36 CFR Part 261, Subpart A.

Executed in Helena, Montana, this 24th day of July 2018.



William Avey
Forest Supervisor
Helena-Lewis and Clark National Forest

Violations of these prohibitions are punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000 for an individual or \$10,000 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than 6 months, or both (16 U.S.C. 551 and 18 U.S.C. 3559 and 3571).

Exhibit "A" – Food Storage Order #01-15-00-18-04

FOOD STORAGE SPECIAL ORDER INFORMATION AND DEFINITIONS

UNDER THIS ORDER IT IS REQUIRED THAT:

Human, pet and livestock food (except baled or cubed hay with additives), and refuse shall be attended or stored in an approved bear resistant manner when unattended.

Wildlife carcasses, birds, fish or other animal parts that are within ½-mile of any camp or sleeping area shall be stored in a bear-resistant manner during night-time hours. If a wildlife carcass is within an attended camp during daytime hours it may be on the ground.

Attractants may be "attended" rather than stored in a bear-resistant manner. However, it is strongly recommended that attractants and all items with odors be stored in bear-resistant containers or suspended 10 feet high and 4 feet away from the supporting structure and stored at least 300 feet from any sleeping area.

Attractants (such as garbage, food leftovers or bacon grease) shall not be buried, discarded or burned in an open campfire.

Approved bear-resistant containers meet the following criteria: A securable container constructed of solid material capable of withstanding 200 foot-pounds of energy applied by direct impact. A bear-resistant container developed commercially must be approved by the USDA Forest Service and Interagency Grizzly Bear Committee (IGBC). Bear-resistant containers developed for personal use may be inspected for approval by the local District Ranger or their designated representative(s).

DEFINITIONS

1. **Attended:** At least one adult person (attendee) is physically present within 100 feet of attractants during daytime hours. During the nighttime hours, all attractants must be stored in a bear-resistant manner.
2. **Attractant:** Food as defined below and garbage from human, livestock or pet foods. Food: Any nourishing substance, which includes human food or drink (canned, solid or liquid), livestock feed (except baled or cubed hay without additives) and pet food.
3. **Attendee:** An adult (18 years of age or older) in control of attractants.
4. **Bear-resistant container:** A securable container constructed of solid material capable of withstanding 200 foot-pounds of energy applied by direct impact. The container, when secured and under stress, will not have any openings greater than one-quarter (1/4) inch, that would allow a bear to gain entry by biting or pulling with its claws.
5. **Bear-resistant manner:** any attractants, including food and garbage, must be stored in one of the following ways if unattended:
 - a) Secured in a hard-sided camper or vehicle truck or trailer cab;
 - b) Secured in a hard-sided dwelling or storage building;
 - c) Suspended at least 10 feet up (from the bottom of the suspended item) and 4 feet out from any upright support, i.e. tree, pole;
 - d) Stored in a bear-resistant container, portable electric fence, or other storage device or system approved for such use by the Interagency Grizzly Bear Committee (IGBC);
 - e) Stored in any combination of these methods;
 - f) Stored by methods other than those described in Section #5, a-e, that shall be approved in writing by the Forest Supervisor.
6. **Daytime:** ½-hour before sunrise until ½-hour after sunset.
7. **Nighttime:** ½-hour after sunset until ½-hour before sunrise.
8. **Livestock:** A domesticated animal, such as mule, horse, llama, or goat.
9. **Wildlife carcass:** the body, or any parts of any deceased wild animal, bird, or fish.

Assessment of Need and Enforcement Plan

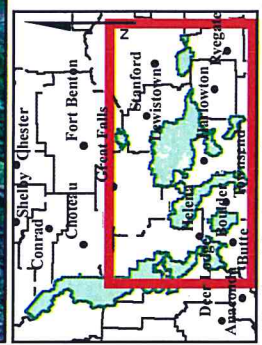
Food Storage Order # 01-15-00-18-04 Belt Creek - White Sulphur Springs - Judith - Musselshell - Helena - Townsend Ranger Districts



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By: lburns - 6/5/2018 -

FOOD STORAGE SPECIAL ORDER LC00-18

OCCUPANCY AND USE RESTRICTIONS

**NORTHERN CONTINENTAL DIVIDE ECOSYSTEM
FLATHEAD, LEWIS AND CLARK, LOLO, AND HELENA
NATIONAL FORESTS
REGION ONE
USDA, FOREST SERVICE**

Pursuant to 36 Code of Federal Regulations 261.50 (a) and (b), the following restrictions are in effect on the Flathead, Lewis and Clark, Lolo, and Helena National Forests, Montana within the Northern Continental Divide Ecosystem (NCDE). These restrictions are in addition to those enumerated in Subpart A, Part 261, Title 36, Code of Federal Regulations and become effective when signed, and shall remain in effect until rescinded or revoked. *They replace the previous Food Storage Special Order F10-016L98 invoked on April 15, 1998, under authority of 36 Code of Federal Regulations 261.50 (a) and (b), which is hereby rescinded.*

1. Possessing or storing any food or refuse, as specified in the order from April 1 to December 1, annually. [36 CFR 261.58(cc)]
2. Possessing, storing or transporting any bird, fish or other animal, or parts thereof as specified in the order from April 1 to December 1, annually. [36 CFR 261.58(s)]

The Northern Continental Divide Ecosystem consists of National Forest System lands included within the boundaries of the Flathead, Lewis and Clark, Lolo and Helena National Forests and is further defined on the attached map, (Exhibit A) and hereby made part of this order. Also attached and hereby made part of this order is Food Storage Special Order Information and Definitions, (Exhibit B).

UNDER THIS ORDER IT IS REQUIRED THAT:

1. Human, pet and livestock food (except baled or cubed hay without additives), and garbage shall be attended or stored in a bear-resistant manner.
2. Wildlife carcasses that are within 1/2-mile of any camp or sleeping area shall be stored in a bear-resistant manner during nighttime hours.
3. Burnable attractants (such as food leftovers or bacon grease) shall not be buried, discarded, or burned in an open campfire.
4. The responsible party shall report the death and location of livestock to a Forest Service official within 24 hours of discovery.

FOOD STORAGE SPECIAL ORDER LC00-18
OCCUPANCY AND USE RESTRICTIONS

Pursuant to 36 CFR 261.50(e) the following persons may be exempt from this order (Flathead, Lolo, Lewis & Clark, or Helena Forest Supervisors are delegated the authority to grant the exemption in writing):

1. Persons with a permit specifically authorizing the prohibited act or omission.
2. Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.

Done this 21 day of December, 2000.




CATHY BARBOULETOS
Forest Supervisor
Flathead National Forest



RICK PRAUSA
Forest Supervisor
Lewis & Clark National Forest



DEBORAH L.R. AUSTIN
Forest Supervisor
Lolo National Forest



THOMAS J. CLIFFORD
Forest Supervisor
Helena National Forest

Attractants may be "attended" rather than stored in a bear-resistant manner. However, it is strongly recommended that attractants and all items with odors be stored in bear-resistant containers or suspended 10 feet high and 4 feet away from the supporting structure and stored at least 300 feet from any sleeping area.

The purpose of these restrictions are to minimize grizzly bear-human conflicts and, thereby, provide for visitor safety and recovery of the grizzly bear within the Northern Continental Divide Ecosystem.

Violations of these prohibitions are punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000 for an individual or \$10,000 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than 6 months, or both (16 U.S.C 551 and 18 U.S.C. 3559 and 3571).

EXHIBIT "A"

SPECIAL ORDER - FOOD STORAGE

NORTHERN CONTINENTAL DIVIDE GRIZZLY BEAR ECOSYSTEM

Northern Region - Flathead, Lewis & Clark, Lolo and Helena National Forests

KEY

Special Order Boundary

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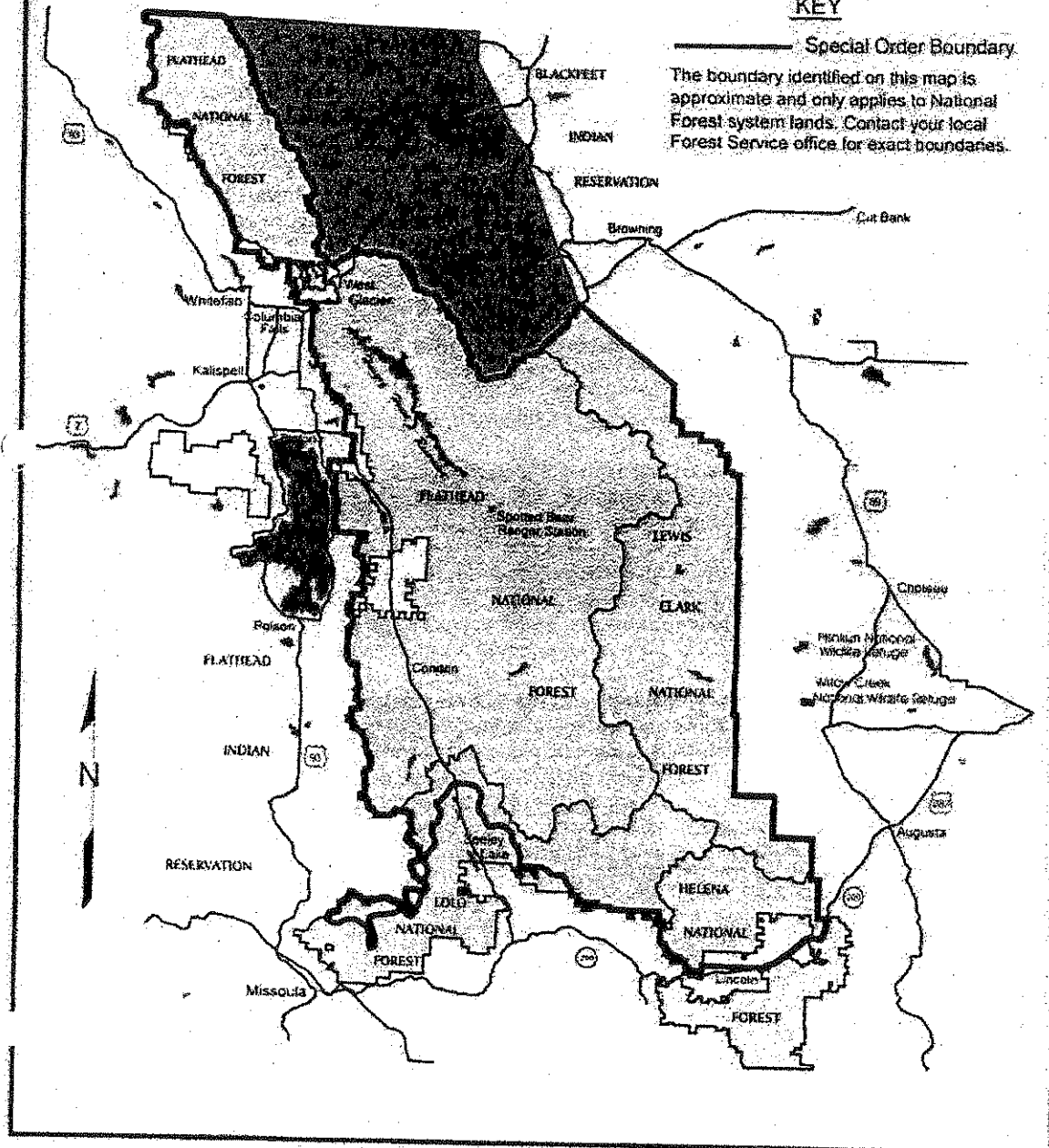


EXHIBIT "B"

FOOD STORAGE SPECIAL ORDER INFORMATION AND DEFINITIONS

INFORMATION

IT IS REQUIRED THAT:

1. **Human, pet and livestock food (except baled or cubed hay without additives), and garbage shall be attended or stored in an approved bear resistant manner when unattended**
2. **Wildlife carcasses, birds, fish or other animal parts that are within 1/2-mile of any camp or sleeping area shall be stored in a bear-resistant manner during nighttime hours. If a wildlife carcass is within an attended camp during daytime hours it may be on the ground.**
3. **Attractants (such as food leftovers or bacon grease) shall not be buried, discarded, or burned in an open campfire.**
 - A. Leftover food or food waste products may be placed in an appropriate, sealed container and packed out with garbage.
 - B. Leftover food or other attractants may be burned in a contained stove fire.
 - C. Attractants may be placed into a suitable container (i.e. tin can) to prevent leaching into the ground and burned over an open campfire. Any remaining attractants unconsumed by burning shall be placed with other garbage and packed out.
4. **The responsible party shall report the death and location of any livestock to a Forest Service Official within 24 hours of discovery. In some very remote areas, it may not be possible to meet the 24-hour requirement. In these special cases, the responsible party shall report to a Forest Official the discovery of any dead livestock within 48 hours.**
5. **Approved bear-resistant containers meet the following criteria:** A securable container constructed of solid material capable of withstanding 200 foot-pounds of energy applied by direct impact. A bear-resistant container developed commercially must be approved by the USDA, Forest Service, Missoula Technology and Development Center (MTDC). Bear-resistant containers developed for personal use may be inspected for approval by the local District Ranger or their designated representative(s). For commercial operations, the MTDC has an impact testing machine available to evaluate containers for strength.

EXHIBIT "B"

FOOD STORAGE SPECIAL ORDER INFORMATION AND DEFINITIONS

DEFINITIONS

1. **Attended:** At least one adult person (attendee) is physically present within 100 feet of attractants during **daytime hours**. During the **nighttime hours**, all attractants must be within 50 feet of the attendee, or attractants must be stored in a bear-resistant manner. During the **nighttime hours**, no physical barrier, except tents or containers or attractant packaging material may exist between the attendee and attractants which are not stored in a bear-resistant manner.
2. **Attractant:** Food as defined below and garbage from human, livestock or pet foods.
3. **Food:** Any nourishing substance, which includes human food or drink (canned, solid or liquid), livestock feed (except baled or cubed hay without additives) and pet food.
4. **Attendee:** An adult (18 years of age or older) in control of attractants.
5. **Bear-resistant container:** A securable container constructed of solid material capable of withstanding 200 foot-pounds of energy applied by direct impact. The container, when secured and under stress, will not have any openings greater than one-quarter (1/4) inch, that would allow a bear to gain entry by biting or pulling with its claws.
6. **Bear-resistant manner** means any attractants, including food and garbage, must be stored in one of the following ways if unattended:
 - a. secured in a hard-sided camper or vehicle trunk or cab or trailer cab;
 - b. secured in a hard-sided dwelling or storage building;
 - c. suspended at least 10 feet up (from the bottom of the suspended item) and 4 feet out from any upright support, i.e. tree, pole;
 - d. stored in an approved bear-resistant container;
 - e. stored within an approved and operating electric fence;
 - f. stored in any combination of these methods;
 - g. or stored by methods other than those described in Section #6, a-f, that shall be approved in writing by the Forest Supervisor responsible for their area of jurisdiction.


EXHIBIT "B"

FOOD STORAGE SPECIAL ORDER INFORMATION AND DEFINITIONS

DEFINITIONS

7. **Contained fire stove:** a metal stove that completely encloses the fire.
8. **Daytime:** 1/2-hour before sunrise until 1/2-hour after sunset.
9. **Nighttime:** 1/2-hour after sunset until 1/2-hour before sunrise.
10. **Livestock:** A domesticated animal, such as mule, horse, llama, or goat.
11. **Wildlife carcass:** The body, or any parts thereof, of any deceased wild animal, bird, or fish.
12. **Approved electric fence will meet, as a minimum, the following specifications (refer to Forest Service publication 9623-2850-MTDC for more description of fence specifications and set-up):**
 - a. The fence will be set up as a "tight wire" fence. The wire will be tight and under tension, not loose or sagging.
 - b. Minimum fence height.....4 feet.
 - c. Minimum post height.....5 feet.
 - d. Maximum spacing between posts.....8 feet.
 - e. **Conductors (wire):** Minimum of 7 wires, with 6-10 inch spacing between wires. Bottom wire must be within 2 inches of the ground. All wire must be smooth metal fence wire of at least 16 gauge or poly wire, except the top wire which may be poly tape of at least six strand stainless steel.
 - f. The system will be set up to operate both as a ground wire return and a grounded system. The 2 top wires will be hot, with all other wires alternating hot and ground. The minimum length ground rod is 2 feet.
 - g. **Fence charger (minimum):** (1) stored energy of 0.7 joules; (2) tested peak output of 5000 volts; (3) 40 shocks per minute. **User must be able to test electrical output in the field.**
 - h. The charger must be made inaccessible to disturbance from a bear. The charger may be stored within the interior of the fence or located a minimum of 10 feet above ground.
 - i. Minimum distance between fence and items enclosed by electric fence.....3 feet.

HELENA-LEWIS AND CLARK National Forest

 **ROCKY MOUNTAIN
RANGER DISTRICT**

**LEWIS AND CLARK
INTERPRETIVE CENTER**

 **AUGUSTA
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STATION**


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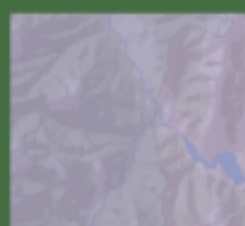
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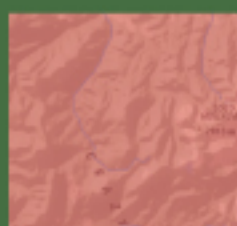
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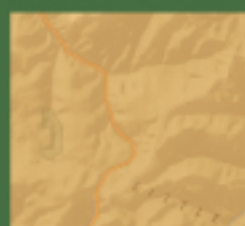
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**Northern Continental Divide
Ecosystem Food Storage Order**



**Crazy
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**Rest of the Forest
Food Storage Order**



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HELENA – LEWIS & CLARK NATIONAL FOREST
Belt Creek - White Sulphur Springs Ranger District - Crazy Mountains
White Sulphur Springs, Montana

Order #01-15-07-18-05

FOREST ORDER

Occupancy and Use Restrictions – Food Storage

Pursuant to 36 Code of Federal Regulations 261.50 (a) and (b), the following orders and restrictions regarding food storage on the Crazy Mountain Range of the Belt Creek - White Sulphur Springs Ranger District of the Helena-Lewis and Clark National Forest are hereby enacted:

1. All food, refuse or other attractants must be acceptably stored or acceptably possessed during daytime hours. (36 CFR 261.58 (cc), (36 CFR 261.58 (s))
2. All food, refuse or other attractants must be acceptably stored during nighttime hours, unless it is being prepared for eating, being eaten, being transported, or being prepared for acceptable storage. (36 CFR 261.58 (cc), (36 CFR 261.58 (s))
3. Any harvested animal carcass must be acceptably stored, unless the carcass is being field dressed, transported, being prepared for eating, or being prepared for acceptable storage. (36 CFR 261.58 (s))
4. Camping or sleeping areas must be established at least ½ mile from a known animal carcass or at least 100 yards from a known acceptably stored animal carcass. (36 CFR 261.58 (e))
5. The responsible party shall report the death and location of livestock to a Forest Service official within 24 hours of discovery. Any Forest user finding dead livestock should contact the Forest Service. (36 CFR 261.58 (s))
6. Burnable attractants that cannot be completely consumed by fire (i.e., no post burning residue) must be packed out. (36 CFR 261.58 (cc), (36 CFR 261.58 (e))

Definitions of terms used in support of the restrictions are also included as Attachment A. The area affected is depicted on the attached map Attachment B. This Order is effective March 1 through December 1, annually, until rescinded.

Pursuant to 36 CFR 261.50(e) the following persons may be exempt from this order:

1. Persons with a permit specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission.
2. Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.

These prohibitions and restrictions are in addition to the general prohibitions in 36 CFR Part 261, Subpart A. Violations of these prohibitions are punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000 for an individual or \$10,000 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than 6 months, or both (16 U.S.C. 551 and 18 U.S.C. 3559 and 3571).

Executed in Helena, Montana, this 24th day of July, 2018.



William Avey
Forest Supervisor
Helena-Lewis and Clark National Forest

Attachment "A" – Forest Order #01-15-07-18-05

Food Storage and Sanitation Definitions

1. "Food, refuse and other attractants" means any substance, solid or liquid or refuse (excluding water, baled hay, or hay cubes without additives), which is or may be eaten or otherwise taken into the body to sustain health or life, provide energy, or promote growth of any person or animal. Also includes items such as soft drinks, alcoholic beverages, canned foods, pet foods, processed livestock feed and grains, personal hygiene products, and empty food and beverage containers. .
2. "Animal carcass" means the dead body or parts thereof, of any harvested mammal, bird, or fish, including the head or skull plate with antlers or horns and hide or cape of big game animals and any domestic livestock that may be found in the restricted area. Packaged or prepared animal carcass products transported into the restricted area for consumption, game birds, small mammals, or fish harvested for consumption in the restricted area are considered food under the previous definition.
3. "Burnable attractants" include items such as food leftovers, waste products, food grease or residue, food saturated containers or other substances that will not completely be consumed by fire. To be completely consumed, there must be no residual attractant on the surface of in the soil. These items shall not be buried, discarded or burned in an open campfire, unless placed in a suitable container (i.e. tin can or fire pan) to prevent leaching into the ground, and burned over an open campfire. Any remaining attractants unconsumed by burning shall be placed with other garbage, acceptably stored and packed out.
4. "Acceptably stored" means:
 - a) Stored in bear-resistant container and/or utilizing a method listed on the most recent Interagency Grizzly Bear Committee Certified Bear Resistant Products List.
 - b) Stored in a closed vehicle, trailer or container where the storage compartment is constructed of solid, non-pliable material that, when secured, will have no openings, hinges, lids, or coverings that would allow a bear to gain entry by breaking, bending, tearing, biting, or pulling with its claws (any windows in the vehicle must be closed), or
 - c) Suspended at least 10 feet clear of the ground at all points and 4 feet horizontally from any supporting tree or pole, or
 - d) Stored within a hard-sided residence, building, or storage container subject to the terms and conditions of a special-use authorization or operating plan, or
 - e) Stored by other methods approved in a permit issued by the Forest Supervisor responsible for the area where the method is proposed for use.
 - f) Animal carcasses must be acceptably stored (a. through e. above) when located 100 yards to ½ mile of a camping or sleeping area or within 200 yards of a Forest Road or Trail.
 - g) Animal carcasses more than ½ miles from a camping area and more than 200 yards from a Forest Road or Trail may be left on the ground.
 - h) Animal carcasses killed or harvested (and parts thereof) within ½ mile of any established camping area or sleeping area must be acceptably stored, possessed, or moved to a distance beyond ½ miles from any such camp or sleeping area by the party(-ies) responsible for killing or harvesting such animal.

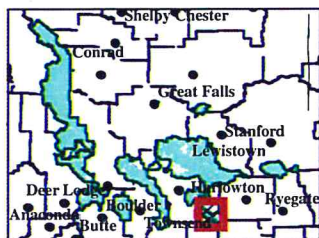
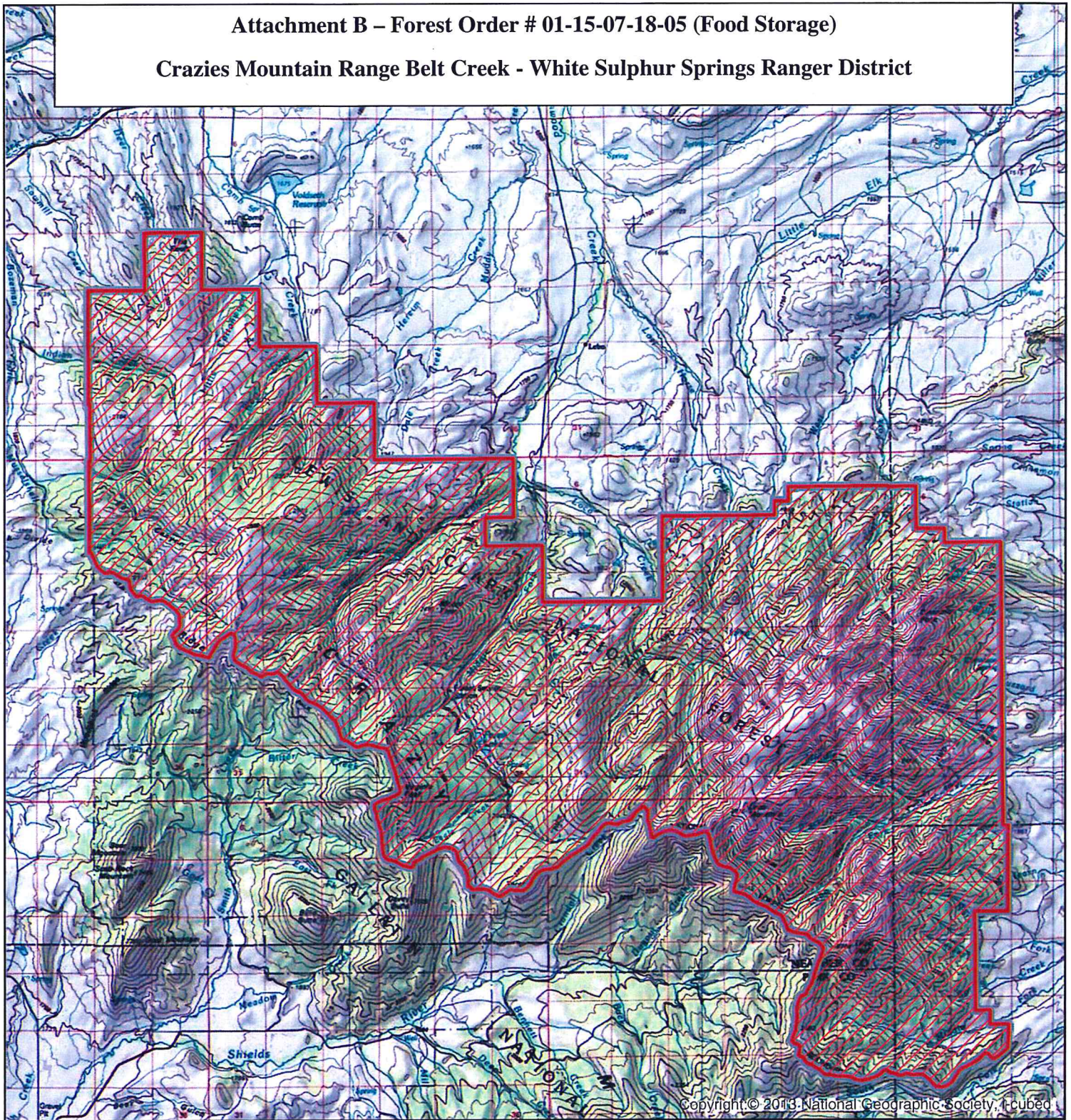
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Food Storage and Sanitation Definitions

5. “Acceptably possessed” means:
 - a) Possessed or attended during daytime by a person(s) that is physically present within 100 feet and direct sight of the accessible food, refuse or attractant or
 - b) Possessed or attended by such a person(s) for the purpose of field dressing lawfully taken animal carcasses, transporting any food or animal carcass, preparing any animal carcass or food for eating, or eating any food.
6. “Camping/sleeping area” means national Forest System Lands temporarily used for the purpose of overnight occupancy without a permanently fixed structure or lands temporarily occupied by unattended camping equipment.
7. “Daytime” means ½-hour before sunrise until ½-hour after sunset, Mountain Time.
8. “Nighttime” means ½-hour after sunset until ½-hour before sunrise, Mountain Time.
9. “Forest Road or Trail” means a road or trail wholly or partly within, or adjacent to and serving the National Forest System that the Forest Service determines is necessary for the protection, administration, and utilization of the National Forest System and the use and development of its resources. .

Attachment B – Forest Order # 01-15-07-18-05 (Food Storage)

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