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Subject: Aikens Creek Roads, Parking Lot and Campground Closure

Forest Order No.: 05-10-20-10-06

To: File

From: Ted O. McArthur, Forest Supervisor

I have decided that it is necessary to close Forest Road No. 10N75 (Upper Aikens Creek Campground Road), Forest Road No. 10N76 (Lower Aikens Creek Campground Road), Aikens Creek Parking Lot, as well as, the Aikens Creek Campground, as described in Forest Order No. 05-10-20-10-06, from August 11, 2020 to August 28, 2020. The closure is being implemented to ensure public safety during the Aikens Creek Fisheries Restoration Project.

The contractor will be removing invasive riparian species and installing woody debris into Aikens Creek. The closure will allow for an open construction area during the operational period. Personnel on the Orleans Ranger District have discussed the situation and concluded that the roads, parking lot and campground recreation site must be closed to ensure the safety of the public. Forest front desk personnel have been briefed and will communicate to the public the closure situation. Therefore, I am issuing a Forest Order that prohibits use of these locations pending the completion of the project. This Order is effective beginning August 11, 2020.

I have concluded that this decision may be categorically excluded from documentation in an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) or Environmental Assessment (EA) under the National Environmental Policy Act. This action falls within the category identified in 36 CFR 220.6(d)(1) - prohibitions to provide short-term resource protection or to protect public health and safety – and does not require documentation in a decision memo, decision notice, or record of decision. Scoping has occurred with the Yurok Tribe and the Karuk Tribe, and they are supportive of this action. I have determined that there are no extraordinary circumstances associated with this temporary closure.



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