

APPENDIX J

**UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE
GLACIER NATIONAL PARK, MONTANA**

2009 COMPENDIUM: 36 CFR 1.7(b)

**DESIGNATIONS, CLOSURES, PERMIT REQUIREMENTS
AND OTHER RESTRICTIONS
IMPOSED UNDER THE DISCRETIONARY AUTHORITY OF THE SUPERINTENDENT
TITLE 36 CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, CHAPTER 1**

Under the provisions of 16 United States Code, Section 3, and Title 36, Code of Federal Regulations, Chapter 1, Parts 1-7, the following Superintendent's orders (compendium) are established for Glacier National Park. Unless otherwise noted, these orders apply in addition to the regulations contained in Parts 1-7 of Title 36 CFR.

Approved:

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SECTION 1.4 DEFINITIONS

Bear Pepper Spray – Also known as bear deterrent, bear repellent or bear spray. Bear pepper spray is a chemical formula designed specifically to deter aggressive or attacking bears. It must be registered with the Environmental Protection Agency and individual states. It must be commercially manufactured and labeled as “Bear Pepper Spray”. Bear spray must contain between 1% to 2% of the active ingredients capsaicin and related capsaicinoids.

Electronic Personal Assistive Mobility Device (EPAMD) - Also known as a Segway, is a device that has two non-tandem wheels, is self-balancing, and is designed to transport only one person with an electric propulsion system that limits the maximum speed of the device to 12-1/2 miles an hour. It is defined as a motor vehicle in 36 CFR 1.4.

SECTION 1.5 CLOSURES AND PUBLIC USE LIMITS

(a)(1) The following schedule of visiting hours, public use limits, and area closures are established for reasons of public health and safety, protection of environmental and scenic values, and protection of natural and cultural resources:

i) Roads:

- a) From June 15 through Labor Day, the following sections of the Going-to-the-Sun Road are closed to bicycle use between 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.
 - 1) From the Apgar turnoff at the south end of Lake McDonald to Sprague Creek Campground.
 - 2) Eastbound from Logan Creek to Logan Pass.
Bicyclists will be advised of this closure by the posting of signs.
- b) All roads are subject to temporary closures as indicated by signs or other means of notification for administrative purposes, wildlife protection, or during periods of adverse weather, natural disaster, or other emergency.
- c) All roads in the park except the Going-to-the-Sun Road from West Glacier to the Lake McDonald Lodge turnoff will be closed seasonally by snow. Visitors will be advised of these closures by the posting of signs and the presence of gates.
- d) Roads closed to motor vehicles may have limits placed on non-motorized visitor use at any time, location, or season for reasons consistent with Section 1.5(a). During these closures, signs will be placed near vehicle barricades identifying the restrictions appropriate to the conditions. Unless posted, acceptable visitor use of closed roads includes foot traffic, bicycles, rollerblades, skateboards, similar devices, and skiing and snowshoeing. (Refer to 2.16(c) for stock use).
- e) Service and administrative roads are closed to non-official vehicles and will be so designated by signs and/or locked gates.
- f) The Flathead Ranger Station Road is closed to motor vehicle traffic beyond the junction of the Apgar Lookout Trailhead Road. Bicycles are permitted on that portion of the roadway that is closed to motor vehicle traffic.
- g) The Grist Road is closed to motor vehicle traffic between Sherwood Lodge and the Fish Creek Road. Bicycles are permitted on that portion of the abandoned roadbed that is closed to motor vehicle traffic.

ii) Trails, Campgrounds and Areas:

- a) Trails, campgrounds and other areas of the park may be temporarily closed when conditions exist which may cause excessive environmental damage or pose unacceptable risks to visitor safety.
- b) The use of any type of non-motorized wheeled conveyance (i.e. canoe dolly, cart, etc.) anywhere in the backcountry is prohibited. Wheelchairs as defined in the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) may be used by persons with disabilities.
- c) For the purpose of public health and sanitation, all entry into the public water intake system located at Logan Pass is prohibited.

iii) Wildlife Protection:

- a) The use of elk bugles, varmint calls, audio attractants, or other artificial or natural means of attracting or disturbing wildlife (including rattling antlers, verbal bugling imitations, or wolf howling imitations) is prohibited (unless specifically approved by the Superintendent).
- b) To protect Harlequin Duck nesting habitat, all vessel use is prohibited on Upper McDonald Creek, from the motor vehicle bridge across the McDonald Creek inlet at the head of Lake McDonald up-stream to the Mineral Creek confluence, from April 1 to September 30.
- c) To protect nesting bald eagle activity, the following temporary restrictions will be instituted as defined by the Bald Eagle Operational Plan:
 - 1) The Lake McDonald bald eagle closure will begin with the onset of nesting activity by the resident bald eagle pair (usually early March). The closure will remain in place until May 15, unless nest failure is detected. Vessels are prohibited north of Kelly Camp and Sprague Creek. (approximately the upper third of the lake), pedestrian traffic is prohibited along both banks of Upper McDonald Creek downstream of the motor vehicle bridge to the lake inlet, and along the shore from the inlet to points designated southeast of McDonald Ranger Station and just north of the McDonald Lodge Complex.
 - 2) The St Mary Lake bald eagle closure will begin with the onset of nesting activity by the resident bald eagle pair (usually early April). The closure will remain in place until the chicks reach 4 weeks in age, as determined by biological technicians (usually mid-June), or nest failure is detected. Vessels east of the Rising Sun boat launch and pedestrian traffic along the south shoreline of St Mary Lake between the Red Eagle trail and the St Mary Lake trail are prohibited.
- d) To protect seasonal habitat and congregation of grizzly bears the following two off trail areas of the park may be temporarily closed to public travel based upon staff observations of grizzly bear concentrations as defined by the Bear Management Plan:
 - 1) Mt. Altyn/Mt. Henkel Bear Management Area which is defined as all areas above the Iceberg/Ptarmigan trail east of Ptarmigan Falls, above the Many Glacier Hotel access trail between the Iceberg/Ptarmigan trail and the Hotel T, and above the Many Glacier Road east of the Hotel T and Appekuny Creek to the Mt. Altyn/Mt. Henkel ridgeline.
 - 2) The Apgar Mountains with the exception of the Apgar Lookout Trail and Flathead Ranger Station Road.
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- e) To protect rare mountain capshell limpet, all water entry into Lost Lake is prohibited. This includes, but not limited to, swimming, bathing, wading, fishing (except from shore), and boat launching.

iv) Fire Closures:

- a) Any portion of the park may be temporarily closed, due to wildfire and/or fire management activities, which pose a threat to visitor safety.

v) Motorboats and motor vessels:

- a) For the purpose of providing for the safety of the general public using lakeshore areas for swimming and other similar activities a "NO WAKE ZONE" has been established 300 feet north of the south shore of Lake McDonald from the Going-to-the-Sun Road to the lake outlet at Lower McDonald Creek. Marker buoys and signs will be placed annually to delineate the zone. Refer to map section at end of chapter.
- b) All motor vessels are prohibited on Lower McDonald Creek from the Lake McDonald outlet to the Quarter Circle Bridge.

vi) Area Closures:

- a) The following areas are closed, as posted, to public use and entry for the protection of re-vegetation projects and existing resident vegetation species:
 - 1) The "Jones Flat" area at Oberlin Bend on the Going-to-the-Sun Road, extending from the Highline Trailhead at Logan Pass to the Rimrock area, bounded by the Highline Trail and the inside radius of the Going-to-the-Sun Road. A map is attached on page J-21.
 - 2) The Oberlin Bend area on the Going-to-the-Sun Road, extending from Oberlin Peak climbers access trail at Logan Pass to the Rimrock area, bounded by the outside radius of the Going-to-the-Sun Road, the northern perimeter of the Oberlin Peak climbers access route, and the base of Oberlin Peak. The Oberlin Peak climbing route is not located within this closure. Refer to map section at end of chapter.

(a)(2) The following conditions and restrictions are established for specific uses and activities:

i) Area and or activity restrictions:

- a) Bicyclists operating on Park roads or the Apgar bike path, during periods of low visibility, or between sunset and sunrise, must exhibit on the operator or bicycle, a white light that is visible from a distance of at least 500 feet to the front and a red light reflector that is visible at least 200 feet to the rear.

ii) Quiet hours:

- a) Quiet hours in developed areas (including parking areas, cabin, hotel, and employee areas) are established as those hours between 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. During quiet hours, the use of generators, portable or fixed motors, or engaging in or conducting any activity which creates unusual noise or unreasonably disturbs other visitors is prohibited.

iii) Entering closed areas for research or interpretive activities:

- a) Areas closed to the general public may be entered by persons or groups only if led or directed by authorized park employees, as approved by the Chief of Visitor and Resource Protection or his/her representative if such use does not compromise safety, environmental, scenic, natural and cultural values.

iv) Fishing:

- a) The standard park fishing season for all waters in the park is from the third Saturday in May through November 30 except as provided by the following exceptions:
 - 1) Lake fishing open all year.
 - 2) That portion of Waterton Lake within Glacier National Park shall be open to fishing in conformance with the seasons and regulations established by Canada.
 - 3) That portion of Lower Two Medicine Lake that is within Glacier National Park shall be open to fishing in conformance with the seasons and regulations established by the Blackfeet Nation.
- b) Fishing, boundary waters:
 - 1) When fishing from park lands along the North Fork of the Flathead River, park catch and possession limits, and other fishing regulations contained in this Compendium apply with the exception of State regulations pertaining to cutthroat trout (see below).
 - 2) When fishing from park lands or bridges along the Middle Fork of the Flathead River a Montana fishing license is required and State regulations apply.
- c) Fishing, daily catch and possession limits:
 - 1) Daily catch and possession limits shall not exceed five fish, including no more than: two cutthroat trout, two burbot (ling), two northern pike, two whitefish, five kokanee salmon, five brook trout, five grayling, five rainbow trout, five lake trout. **NO BULL TROUT MAY BE RETAINED.** Exceptions: There is no limit on lake trout taken west of the Continental Divide. There is no limit on lake whitefish taken from Lake McDonald.
 - 2) CATCH AND RELEASE FISHING ONLY: Fish caught in the following waters must be handled carefully and released immediately back into the water. No fish of any species may be in possession at any time.
 - a. Lower McDonald Creek, upstream from the Quarter Circle Bridge and extending into Lake McDonald for a radius of 100 feet.
 - b. Hidden Lake and Hidden Lake Outlet, except when the outlet area is closed for spawning. See Compendium, 36 CFR 1.5e) 2).
 - 3) Cutthroat trout caught in the North Fork of the Flathead River must be released in accordance with State regulations.
- d) Fishing, equipment and bait:
 - 1) The use of fish or fish parts, including non-preserved fish eggs, of any fish species is prohibited.
 - 2) No bait, including insects and worms, may be collected inside the park's boundaries
 - 3) Snagging fish in park waters or from park lands is prohibited.
 - 4) ONLY ARTIFICIAL FLIES AND LURES permitted in the lower McDonald

Creek catch and release area.

- 5) The use of lead sinkers and jigs less than two ounces (approximately 56 grams) in Waterton and Cameron Lakes is prohibited.
- 6) Use of only one fishing pole per person is permitted.
- 7) The use of all lead, including weights, lures, jigs, line, etc., associated with fishing is prohibited in Glacier National Park. The only exception to this is in the use of lead cannon ball weights of 2 to 10 pounds attached to down rigger cables while fishing with “downriggers.”

e) Fishing, closed waters:

- 1) The following areas are closed to fishing:

Subdistrict/Area	Closure
North Fork	Bowman Creek for its entire length above Bowman Lake Logging Creek between Logging Lake and Grace Lake Kintla Creek between Kintla Lake and Upper Kintla Lake Upper Kintla Lake
Lake McDonald	Fish Creek (entire length)
Walton	Coal Creek (entire length) Muir Creek (entire length) Nyack Creek (entire length) Park Creek (entire length) Ole Creek (entire length)
Many Glacier	Boulder Creek Cracker Lake Kennedy Creek Otatso Creek
Belly River	Lee Creek North Fork Belly River Slide Lake and the impoundment pond below

- 2) To protect spawning cutthroat trout, the Hidden Lake outlet creek and the area extending into Hidden Lake for a radius of 300 feet shall be closed to fishing during the cutthroat trout spawning season.
- 3) All waters within Glacier National Park shall be closed to bull trout fishing. No bull trout shall be retained, and if incidentally caught, shall be immediately released.
- 4) To protect loon nesting activity, upper Howe Lake is closed to fishing from the third Saturday in May to August 1.

f) Fishing, backcountry entrails disposal:

- 1) In backcountry waters, fish entrails must be disposed of by puncturing the air bladder and depositing the entrails in deep water of the lake or stream from which they were taken, at a distance of 200 feet or more from any campsite.

v) Bear Pepper Spray:

- a) Bear pepper spray may be carried by individuals within Glacier National Park for the

strict purpose of protecting one's self or others from bodily harm against aggressive wildlife. It should not be applied to people, tents, packs, other equipment or surrounding area as a repellent.

SECTION 1.6 PERMITS

(a) The following activities require a permit:

- 1) **A permit is required for all cave use in Glacier National Park.** In accordance with the Federal Cave Resources Protection Act of 1988, recreational use of undeveloped caves will be governed by a permit system, and cave use will be regulated or restricted if necessary to protect and preserve cave resources. All cave users will obtain a cave use permit from any permit center for the entry into caves. The permit can be for multiple caves over several days but must be only for the specific trip and a new permit must be obtained for each subsequent trip. One permit will cover a group with the maximum group size of eight permitted on any one trip. Self registration inside each cave will be maintained. Entering shall be defined as beyond the mouth of the cave.

SECTION 2.1 PRESERVATION OF NATURAL, CULTURAL AND ARCHEOLOGICAL RESOURCES

(a)(4) It is unlawful to gather or cut firewood except in the following areas:

- i) Along the Inside North Fork Road from one mile north of Fish Creek Campground to Kintla Lake.
- ii) Along the Bowman Lake Road.
- iii) In the vicinity of backcountry campgrounds allowing wood fires.

In the areas listed above, only dead wood on the ground may be collected for use as fuel for campfires. Wood may not be removed from the Park nor may wood from the Park be used for residential heating purposes, except pursuant to the terms and conditions of a special permit.

(b) Leaving a trail or walkway to shortcut between portions of the same trail is prohibited.

(c)(1) Edible fruits, nuts, and berries may be gathered by hand for personal use and consumption. The allowable limit is one quart per person, per day. The use of bush rakes or other harvesting devices is prohibited. Picking, gathering or harvesting mushrooms is prohibited.

SECTION 2.2 WILDLIFE PROTECTION

(d) Lawfully taken and properly tagged wildlife and wildlife parts may be transported through the Park on U.S. Highway No. 2. All other Park roads are closed to transportation of lawfully taken wildlife and wildlife parts, unless specifically approved by issuance of a Glacier National Park Permit to Transport Wildlife. Glacier Park residents may transport lawfully taken wildlife to their place of residence by the shortest Park route without a permit.

(e) The use of an artificial light to view wildlife anywhere in the park is prohibited.

SECTION 2.3 FISHING

(d)(8) Fishing from docks and bridges is allowed, unless signs are erected prohibiting such activity.

SECTION 2.10 CAMPING AND FOOD STORAGE

(b)(8) A Backcountry Use Permit is required for all overnight camping in the backcountry.

(b)(9) Camping Conditions (frontcountry):

- i) The following conditions have been established for overnight camping in frontcountry campgrounds:
 - a) A person or party may not occupy the same campsite for more than seven consecutive days. When no fees are charged, a person may not camp in the same campground for more than seven consecutive nights or more than 14 nights in a season.
 - b) Towed units are prohibited in Sprague Creek Campground.
 - c) Camping in frontcountry campgrounds is limited to a maximum of eight people per site and a maximum of two vehicles per site when space is available. Unless otherwise designated or upon approval from the campground ranger, campsites are limited to a maximum of two tents per campsite. All vehicles must be parked on the campsite parking pad. Group campsites are limited to a maximum of 24 people per site, unless otherwise posted.
 - d) Hiker/Biker campsites will have an eight person limit unless otherwise posted. The number of tents allowed per campsite may vary and limits shall be posted.
 - e) Activities must be kept to a level that ensures noise does not disturb other campers. Quiet hours are from 10:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m.. Generator use within campgrounds is permitted only during the hours: 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.; 12:00 noon – 2:00 p.m.; and 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Generator use is prohibited at ALL TIMES in the following campgrounds:
 - Sprague Creek, all sites
 - Rising Sun, sites 49-84
 - Fish Creek, C LoopUnreasonable idling of motor vehicles is prohibited during quiet hours.

(b)(9) Camping Conditions (backcountry):

- ii) The following conditions have been established for overnight camping in designated backcountry campgrounds:
 - a) Backcountry camping party size is limited to a maximum of 12 persons.
 - b) Maximum length of stay in the backcountry is limited to a total of 14 nights during the period of July and August. The authorized camping concessioner (Glacier Wilderness Guides) is exempt from this regulation.
 - c) Food must be prepared and consumed at the designated food preparation area in backcountry campgrounds. No food is permitted in the sleeping area.
 - d) Backcountry use permits shall be valid only for the dates and campgrounds specified on

- the permit. Unauthorized itinerary changes are prohibited.
- e) Reserving backcountry campgrounds with the intent of not using a portion of the itinerary is prohibited.
 - f) Violation of any of these camping conditions shall constitute a violation of the terms of the permit and may be grounds for revocation of the permit.
 - g) Backcountry campground limitations for number of parties, number of stock, length of stay, and tent site capacity have been established and are noted by the following symbols:

1 – Denotes a one night camping limit during July and August.

2 – Denotes two night camping limit at Elizabeth Lake Head in July and August.

* – Denotes wood fires prohibited.

** – Denotes a maximum party size of 4 persons per campsite.

0 – Under stock; denotes a limitation of 8 stock permitted in the area, but prohibited from being kept there overnight.

– Granite Park Campground is reserved for extended itineraries only unless trail and campground closures prohibit extended itineraries.

– Reynolds Creek Campground is reserved for extended itineraries only (minimum 3 night trip, no first or last night).

+ – Denotes a limit of one stock party per night.

++ – Round Prairie Campground is reserved for 2 float parties and 1 walk-in party per night. Length of stay is limited to one night.

□ – Not available to motorized watercraft users

DESIGNATED CAMPGROUNDS – WEST LAKES DISTRICT

Campground	Limits	Campsites **	Stock +
North Fork Subdistrict:			
Adair		4	8
Akokala Lake	*	3	0
Brown Pass	*	3	0
Boulder Pass	*	3	0
Bowman Lake, head		6	8
Grace Lake		3	0
Kintla Lake, head	□	6	8
Logging Lake		3	0

DESIGNATED CAMPGROUNDS – WEST LAKES DISTRICT

(cont.)

Campground	Limits	Campsites **	Stock +
<u>North Fork Subdistrict:</u>			
Lower Quartz Lake		4	8
Quartz Lake	*	3	0
Round Prairie	* ++	3	0
Upper Kintla Lake		4	8

<u>Lake McDonald Subdistrict:</u>			
Arrow Lake	*	2	8
Camas Lake	*	2	0
Flattop	*	3	8
Granite Park	* 1 #	4	0
Lake Ellen Wilson	* 1	4	8
Lincoln Lake	*	3	8
McDonald Lake	closed due to 2003 fires		
Snyder Lake	*	3	8
Sperry	* 1	4	0
<u>Walton Subdistrict</u>			
Beaver Woman Lake	*	2	10
Coal Creek		2	10
Harrison Lake		3	8
Lake Isabel		2	0
Lower Nyack		2	10
Park Creek		3	8
Ole Creek		3	8
Upper Park Creek		3	8
Upper Nyack		2	10

DESIGNATED CAMPGROUNDS – HUDSON BAY DISTRICT

Campground	Limits	Campsites **	Stock +
<u>Two Medicine Area:</u>			
Atlantic Creek		4	8
Cobalt Lake	* 1	2	0
Morning Star Lake			
No Name Lake	* 1	3	0
Oldman Lake	* 1	4	8
Two Medicine (Auto CG)		2	0 (XX)
Upper Two Medicine Lake	* 1	4	0
<u>St. Mary Area:</u>			
Gunsight Lake	*	7	8

Otokomi Lake	*	3	0
Red Eagle Lake, foot	*	4	0

DESIGNATED CAMPGROUNDS – HUDSON BAY DISTRICT

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Campground	Limits	Campsites **	Stock +
Red Eagle Lake, head	*	4	8
Reynolds Creek	##	2	8
<u>Many Glacier Area:</u>			
Cracker Lake	*	3	0
Many Glacier (Auto CG)		2	0
Poia Lake	*	4	8
Slide Lake		2	8
<u>Belly River Area:</u>			
Cosley	*	4	8
Elizebeth Lake, foot	* 1	5	8
Elizebeth Lake, head	* 2	4	8
Gable Creek		4	8
Glenns Lake, foot		4	8
Glenns Lake, head	*	3	0
Helen Lake	*	3	0
Mokowanis Junction	*	5	8
Mokowanis Lake	*	2	0
<u>Goat Haunt Area:</u>			
Fifty Mountain	*	5	8
Hawksbill	*	2	0
Hole in the Wall	* 1	5	0
Kootenai Lakes	*	4	9
Lake Francis	* 1	2	0
Lake Janet		2	8
Stoney Indian Lake	* 1	3	0
Waterton River		5	8
Goat Haunt Trail Shelter		7	0

(b)(9) Camping Conditions (undesignated):

iii) The following conditions are established for overnight camping in undesignated campsites during the summer camping season (May 1 to November 20).

- a) The following regulations apply to approved undesignated camping permits:
 - 1) Party size is limited to a maximum of six campers.
 - 2) Camping is limited to a maximum of two nights at any one campsite.
 - 3) Wood fires are prohibited.
 - 4) Campsites must be located a minimum of 100 feet from lakes, streams, rivers

- and other water sources.
- 5) Campsites must be located a minimum of ½ mile from any trail corridor, designated campground, patrol cabin, fire lookout, roadway, developed area, and out of sight and sound of any trail corridor or other camping party.
 - 6) Stock are not permitted in undesignated campsites.
 - 7) Only one undesignated camping party will be permitted in a specific area on the same night.
 - 8) Reserving undesignated campsites with the intent of not using a portion of the itinerary is prohibited.

(b)(9) Camping Conditions (Nyack/Coal Creek):

- iv) The following conditions have been established for undesignated camping in the **Nyack/Coal Creek Camping Zone**:

- a) Definition: The outer boundaries of the camping area are defined as follows:

Beginning at the confluence of Nyack Creek and the Middle Fork of the Flathead River:

Following the south bank of Nyack Creek to the Boundary Trail crossing, westward along the Boundary Trail to the Nyack Creek Trail junction, eastward along the Nyack Creek Trail to the crossing of the side creek just below the lower Nyack Campground (UTM 299.2E, 5373.2N). Follow this drainage until no longer discernible, then proceed to the ridge high point marked 7972 on the 1:100,000 USGS topographic map (UTM 300.5E, 5377.9N). From this point proceed to a ridge point marked 8340, just east of the summit of Mt. Thompson (UTM 303.5E, 5380.4N).

From this point proceed to the ridge point southeast of Red Eagle Pass marked 7885 on the 1:100,000 map (UTM 309.5E, 5382.1N). From this point proceed to the summit of Razoredge Mountain, then along the ridge eastward to the Continental Divide.

Follow the divide south to McClintock Peak, then west to the summit of Tinkham Mountain, then south to the summit of Mt. Phillips, then south to the summit of Caper Peak, then southeast to the summit of Mt. St. Nicholas, then westward to the western summit of Double Mountain marked 6003 on the 1:100,000 map (UTM 303.7E, 5364.0N). From this point proceed to a point on the Middle Fork of the Flathead River directly across from the confluence of Stanton Creek and the river. Refer to map located at end of chapter.

- b) Backpackers: May camp anywhere in the zone, with these restrictions:
 - 1) Wood fires are prohibited.
 - 2) Campsites must be located at least 100 feet from streams and lakes, at least ½ mile from any patrol cabin or designated campground, and at least 50 yards and, out of sight and sound of any trail corridor.
 - 3) Camping is limited to a maximum of two nights at any one site; a total of six nights in the zone.
 - 4) Maximum group size is limited to six, except for the **Glacier Wilderness**

Guides who have a group limit of eight.

- 5) Maximum capacity per night for the zone is 88 campers (includes both designated and undesignated campsites).
- v) Stock Users: May camp only at Beaver Woman, Coal Creek, Lower Nyack and Upper Nyack with ten head of stock maximum.

(b)(9) Camping Conditions (winter):

- vi) The following conditions have been established for undesignated backcountry camping during the winter season (November 20 to May 1):
 - a) The winter backcountry camping season is designated as the period from November 20 to May 1. All backcountry campsites are considered undesignated sites during this time period. The following special regulations apply during this period:
 - 1) Wood fires are prohibited in all backcountry areas, as well as unplowed auto campgrounds and picnic areas.
 - 2) Party size shall not exceed 12 persons.
 - 3) Length of stay shall be limited to two nights for any one campsite.
 - 4) Camping is prohibited (unless in a designated campground) within sight or sound of trail corridors, and at least 100 feet from rivers, lakes, streams and water sources.
 - 5) Campers should use pit toilets if accessible. If camping in a designated campground, campers must dig out the pit toilet, otherwise, human waste should be dispersed and should be deposited at least 100 yards from any lakes, streams, trails, roads or developed areas. All toilet paper should be burned or packed out.
 - 6) In addition, early fall or lingering spring snowpack may result in winter camping regulations being imposed in individual campgrounds, especially those at higher elevations outside of the above time period.

(d) Food and garbage storage to minimize the presence of actual or potential attractants:

(1) The following regulations are established regarding the disposal of garbage:

- i) All garbage containers placed outside of buildings will be of bear-proof construction or placed inside bear-proof enclosures. Dumpsters will have latching lids and will be kept latched at all times except when the garbage is being deposited or emptied. Leaving garbage out in the open, or overfilling garbage containers so that they do not properly close and latch is prohibited.

(2) The following regulations are established regarding the storage of food, garbage and equipment used to cook or store food in developed areas:

- i) All food, lawfully taken fish, garbage, and equipment used to cook, serve or store food must be kept sealed in a vehicle, or in a camping unit that is constructed of solid, non-pliable material, or suspended from any NPS designated food hanging device, or secured in any NPS designated storage locker, or secure in a structure or dwelling, at all times, except when these items are being transported, consumed, or prepared for consumption.

(3) The following regulations are established regarding the storage of food, garbage and equipment

used to cook food in the backcountry:

- i) All food, lawfully taken fish, garbage, and equipment used to cook, serve or store food in designated backcountry campgrounds must be secured at all times, except when these items are being transported, consumed or prepared for consumption, in one of the following methods during the period of May 1 through November 19:
 - a) Suspended from the designated NPS food hanging device provided in each campground. In the event that a food hanging device is not serviceable, these items must be suspended at least 10 feet above the ground (from the bottom of the suspended item) and 4 feet horizontally from a tree trunk or other object.
 - b) Secured in an IGBC approved, bear resistant container (Garcia Machine or comparable design). These containers may be left on the ground but must be at the food hanging device.
 - c) Stock feed (hay cubes, oats, pellets, sweet feed, etc.) must be properly secured as with any other food item. This would include using an Interagency Grizzly Bear Committee (IGBC) approved bear resistant container. These containers may be left on the ground but must be at either the hitch rail area or at the food hanging device.

- ii) All food, lawfully taken fish, garbage, and equipment used to cook, serve or store food in undesignated backcountry campsites and/or while traveling in the backcountry, must be secured at all times, except when these items are being transported, consumed or prepared for consumption, by one of the following methods during the period of May 1 through November 19:
 - a) Suspended at least ten feet above the ground (from the bottom of the suspended items) and four feet horizontally from a tree trunk or other object, at least 100 feet from camping/sleeping areas.
 - b) Secured in an IGBC approved, bear resistant container (Garcia Machine or comparable design) on the ground, at least 100 feet from the camping/sleeping areas. **Required for near or above tree line campsites.**
 - c) When camping near or above tree line, equipment which is used to cook or store food which cannot fit into a bear resistant container and is clean may be left out on the ground, at least 100 feet from camping/sleeping areas.
 - d) Backcountry travelers, outside of campsites, may not leave food, lawfully taken fish, garbage, or equipment used to cook or store food, unattended at any time.

- iii) During the period of November 20 through April 30, these food storage regulations are not in effect, unless specifically mandated based on known bear activity.

SECTION 2.13 FIRES

(a)(1) The following conditions are established concerning lighting or maintaining a fire:

- i) Open fires are permitted only when contained in established fire rings or grates in campgrounds, picnic areas, residential areas, and designated backcountry campgrounds, where open fires are allowed. Burning permits will be obtained from the Interagency Burn Center for burning other than campfires. Additionally, Glacier Park Communication Center shall be notified.

ii) Open fires are prohibited at the following backcountry campgrounds:

West Lakes District Backcountry Campgrounds	
Akokala Lake	Granite Park
Arrow Lake	Lake Ellen Wilson
Beaver Woman Lake	Lincoln Lake
Boulder Pass	Round Prairie
Brown Pass	Quartz Lake
Camas Lake	Snyder Lake
Flattop	Sperry

Hudson Bay District Backcountry Campgrounds	
Cobalt Lake	Lake Francis
Cosley Lake	Mokowanis Junction
Cracker Lake	Mokowanis Lake
Elizebeth Lake, Foot	Morning Star Lake
Elizebeth Lake, Head	No Name Lake
Fifty Mountain	Oldman Lake
Glenns Lake, Head	Otokomi Lake
Gunsight Lake	Poia Lake
Hawksbill	Red Eagle, Foot
Helen Lake	Red Eagle, Head
Hole in-the Wall	Stoney Indian Lake
Kootenai Lakes	Upper Two Medicine Lake

iii) Open fires are prohibited in all undesignated campsites, including the Nyack/Coal Creek Camping Zone; however, fires are allowed at Lower Nyack, Upper Nyack and Coal Creek Campgrounds.

SECTION 2.15 PETS

(a)(1) All areas are closed to the possession of pets, excluding dogs assisting the handicapped (seeing-eye or hearing impaired), with the following exceptions:

- Developed areas
- Frontcountry campsites and picnic areas
- Road surfaces and shoulders (only when open to motor vehicles)
- Apgar/West Glacier Bicycle Path from headquarters to Apgar, when not a ski trail, except when this trail is posted “bear or mountain lion frequenting”
- In vessels on lakes where motorized watercraft are permitted

(a)(5) Pet excrement in campgrounds, picnic areas, and other developed areas must be collected and deposited in a trash receptacle by the person(s) in control of the pet(s).

(e) Park residents may keep pets if approved in accordance with Glacier's Management Directive 2.1.

SECTION 2.16 HORSES AND PACK ANIMALS

(a) Designated pack animals include horses, mules, burros and llamas.

(b) Horses and pack animals are permitted on all maintained trails officially designated in the park trail inventory, with the following exceptions:

Subdistrict/Area	Horse and Pack Animal Trail Exclusions
Lake McDonald	Avalanche Creek Trail (Avalanche CG to Avalanche Lake) Highline Trail (Logan Pass to Granite Chalet) Huckleberry Mountain Nature Trail Loop Parking Area to junction with the Granite Park Trail Sperry Glacier Trail (Sperry Chalet to Sperry Glacier) Trail of the Cedars
Two Medicine	Cobalt Lake Spur Trail (from the Two Medicine Pass Trail) Dawson Pass Trail (Dawson to Cut Bank Pass Trail Junction) Running Eagle Nature Trail
St. Mary	Baring Falls Trail Hidden Lake Nature Trail
Many Glacier	Apikuni Falls Trail Grinnell Glacier Trail Hidden Falls Trail Hole in the Wall Spur Trail (from the Boulder Pass Trail) Iceberg Lake hitch rail to Iceberg Lake Josephine Lake Boardwalk Swiftcurrent Lake Nature Trail
Goat Haunt	Spur Trail to Lake Francis (from Boulder Pass Trail)

(c) Horses and pack animals are permitted on park roads when closed to motor vehicles with the following exceptions:

- Going-to-the-Sun Road west of the Continental Divide
- Camas Road

(g) The following conditions have been established concerning the use of horses and pack animals:

- (1) The day use limits for horse and pack animals shall be not more than ten animals in a party.
- (2) Overnight stock limits for a specific campground may not be exceeded for day use stopovers. However in campgrounds that prohibit overnight use of stock, eight head may be taken into the immediate area for day use. Furthermore, parties which exceed a campground stock limit may pass through the area, but may not remain (example: a ten horse party may cross Brown Pass, but only eight head may stop in the area).

(3) An exception to the ten animal limit is made on the following trails due to special maintenance and other conditions. 20 animals are allowed on the:

- Apgar Flats Trail (#272)
- Apgar Lookout Trail (#42)
- Apgar Mountain Loop Trail (#286)
- Avalanche Trail (#56)
- Cracker Lake Trail (#1765)
- Granite Park Trail (#62) from Granite Park to Packer's Roost
- Gunsight Pass Trail (#52) from Lake McDonald to Sperry Chalet
- Josephine Lake and Grinnell Lake Horse Trails, including parts of trails: #113, #171, #171, and #174
- Red Gap Pass Trail (#154) to Poia Lake
- Swiftcurrent Pass Trail (#157) from Many Glacier to Packer's Roost
- Upper McDonald Creek Trail (#59)

(4) Grazing by private stock, other than that which is incidental to travel along trails, is prohibited.

(5) The keeping of horses and pack animals overnight at Sperry and Granite Park Chalets is prohibited.

(6) The keeping of horses and pack animals at auto campgrounds is prohibited. Stock may be kept at Bowman Lake horse corral if prior arrangements have been made with the North Fork Subdistrict Ranger.

(7) Horses and pack animals are prohibited in the camping sites in backcountry campgrounds.

(8) It is unlawful to transport straw or feed hay within the boundaries of Glacier National Park. The following exceptions apply:

- i) Transporting hay is permitted on U.S. Highway #2 where it passes through the southern portion of the park.
- ii) The Park's horse concessioner, the National Park Service, and Park inholders will be permitted to transport certified weed seed free hay to be fed only at frontcountry concessioner, NPS and inholder corral facilities.
- iii) Inholders and horse concessioners utilizing certified weed seed free straw or hay must provide proof of weed seed free certification prior to transporting straw or hay into and or within the external boundaries of the Park.

(9) Overnight stock use in designated campgrounds is limited to one stock party per night.

SECTION 2.20 SKATING, SKATEBOARDS, AND SIMILAR DEVICES

The use of roller skates, rollerblades, roller skis, skateboards, coasting vehicles, or similar devices is prohibited except on **paved** roads or trails in the following areas:

- The Apgar developed zone (Apgar Picnic Area to Lower McDonald Creek Bridge), **excluding** the Going-to-the-Sun Road and Camas Road.

- The Apgar/West Glacier Bicycle Path.
- Frontcountry campgrounds and picnic areas.
- NPS residential areas.
- All paved roads when closed to motor vehicles.

Use of these devices must comply with the same traffic regulations that apply to bicycles.

SECTION 2.21 SMOKING

(a) The following areas are closed to smoking:

- i) During periods of extreme fire danger, as established by fire weather data, restrictions will be placed upon smoking by backcountry users. Backcountry areas in which smoking is restricted or prohibited will be clearly signed.
- ii) Smoking is prohibited in all government operated buildings in Glacier National Park which are open to the public, including restrooms located in all Park campgrounds, picnic areas and visitor centers and public amphitheaters and campfire circles where interpretive programs are held. This policy does not apply to concession facilities.
- iii) Smoking is prohibited in all government operated buildings which are open to the public or used as employee office space or work sites. Break and lunch rooms previously designated as smoking areas may no longer be used for smoking. Smoking is also prohibited in shared government housing units that include non-smoking occupants. The designated inclement weather smoking location for park headquarters is the covered entryway located next to the bicycle rack. Employees smoking at the Logan Pass Visitor Center should use the bench closest to the ready room door.
- iv) Smoking is not permitted in government vehicles.

SECTION 2.22 PROPERTY

(a)(2) Vehicles may be parked in parking lots at or adjacent to trailheads for the duration of an approved backcountry permit.

SECTION 3.12 WATER SKIING

(a) The towing by vessels of persons with or without skis, on surfboards, sleds, tubes, excluding parasails, is permitted only on Lake McDonald and St. Mary Lake.

SECTION 4.10 TRAVEL ON PARK ROADS AND DESIGNATED ROUTES

An Electronic Personal Assistive Mobility Device (EPAMD), also known as a Segway, is a device that has two non-tandem wheels, is self-balancing, and is designed to transport only one person with an electric propulsion system that limits the maximum speed of the device to 12-1/2 miles an hour. It is defined as a motor vehicle in 36 CFR 1.4. In the interest of public safety and the protection of park resources, the following interim regulations will apply to the use of EPAMDs in Glacier National Park:

The use of an EPAMD is permitted on:

Roads posted with speed limits of 35 miles an hour or less, **except the Going to the Sun Road, Two Medicine Road, and Many Glacier Road.**

Parking Areas

In order to best provide reasonable access for disabled park visitors wishing to use the EPAMD, Glacier National Park will permit the use of EPAMDs by disabled visitors on the following:
Roads closed to motor vehicles, unless otherwise posted (including sections of the Going to the Sun Road, Two Medicine Road, and Many Glacier Road). They are not permitted on these roads when opened to motor vehicles.

Sidewalks

Accessible park trails.

The following park trails are accessible and authorized for EPAMD use by those with disabilities:

The Apgar Bicycle/Hike Trail, located between Apgar and Headquarters (1.63 mile asphalt surface)

Trail of the Cedars Nature Trail at Avalanche Campground (0.7 mile wood/asphalt surface)

Running Eagle Falls Nature Trail (1800 foot stabilized soil surface)

Lake McDonald Trail, located by the Lake McDonald Lodge boat dock (360 foot concrete surface)

Oberlin Bend Trail (400 foot metal-grated surface)

Goat Lick Overlook (400 foot asphalt surface)

The following are prohibited:

Operating an EPAMD on the Going to the Sun Road, Two Medicine Road, or Many Glacier Road, except as indicated above for disabled operators when roads are closed to vehicular traffic.

Operating an EPAMD on sidewalks, roads closed to motor vehicles, or designated accessible trails without a qualified disability (as defined by 7 CFR Section 15e.103) and a park-issued sticker displayed on the EPAMD.

Operating an EPAMD during periods of low visibility, or while traveling through a tunnel, or between sunset and sunrise, without exhibiting on the operator or EPAMD a white light or reflector that is visible from a distance of at least 500 feet to the front and with a red light or reflector visible from at least 200 feet to the rear.

Operating an EPAMD abreast of another EPAMD or bicycle except where authorized by the superintendent.

Operating an EPAMD while consuming an alcoholic beverage or carrying in hand an open container of an alcoholic beverage.

Operating an EPAMD under 16 years of age

A person shall operate an EPAMD in a safe and responsible manner; maximum speed will not exceed more than 8 mph (“Segway Sidewalk/Intermediate” key), so as not to endanger one’s self or any other park visitor.

A person riding an EPAMD upon and along a sidewalk, while crossing a roadway in a crosswalk, or on any other surface shall have all the rights and duties applicable to a pedestrian under the same circumstances, except that the EPAMD operator must always yield to pedestrians.

Users of an EPAMD as a mobility assistance device must display a disabled sticker which will be available at all entrance stations. Visitors using any EPAMD without a disabled sticker may be approached by a Park Ranger to substantiate that the device is being used for the sole purpose of mobility assistance as well as to offer any other special assistance. If not being used as a mobility assisted device, the user will be asked to exit the area.

EPAMD groups are limited to no more than four (4) EPAMD units per group and must remain on roads, parking areas, and, for disabled riders, on designated accessible trails.

SECTION 4.11 LOAD, WEIGHT, LENGTH AND WIDTH LIMITATIONS

(b)(1) The maximum size limit allowed for all vehicles as well as combinations of vehicles and towed units (see exceptions below) traveling the Going-to-the-Sun Road between Avalanche Campground and Sun Point parking area is 21 feet in length (including bumpers) and/or 8.0 feet in width (including mirrors). The following exceptions apply:

- i) **NPS authorized** emergency, park maintenance, concession, contractors, delivery, and administrative vehicles.
- ii) Public stock transport vehicles accessing Packer's Roost, Siyeh Bend, Sunrift Gorge, and/or Gunsight horse ramp trailheads. Stock vehicles are not permitted to cross Logan Pass to access these areas.

SECTION 4.21 SPEED LIMITS

(b) The following speed limits have been established:

- i) The speed limit for all roads within campgrounds, picnic areas, and parking areas will be 10 mph.
- ii) The speed limit for all unpaved park routes open to vehicle traffic, other than those addressed in sec i) will be 20 mph.
- iii) The speed limit for the alpine section of Going-to-the-Sun Road from the Packer's Roost Road to Lunch Ck will be 25 mph, as designated by posted signs.
- iv) The speed limits in congested areas along the Going-to-the-Sun Road, Many Glacier Road, Two Medicine Road and Chief Mountain Road will be 25 mph, as designated by posted signs.
- v) The speed limit on the Going-to-the-Sun Road from the Headquarters Junction to a point just east of the pedestrian/bicycle crossing east of the West Entrance will be 25 mph, as designated by posted signs.
- vi) The speed limit on the Going-to-the-Sun Road from the West Glacier Bridge (park boundary) to the Headquarters Junction will be 35 mph, as designated by posted signs.
- vii) The speed limit on the Going-to-the-Sun Road from Sprague Creek Campground to a point 550 feet east of the east entrance of McDonald Lodge will be 35 mph, as designated by posted signs, when the respective facilities are open. When Sprague Creek Campground and Lake McDonald Lodge are closed the speed limit will be 40 mph.
- viii) The speed limit on the Going-to-the-Sun Road from a point just east of Logan Creek to the Packer's Roost Road will be 35 mph, as designated by posted signs.
- ix) The speed limit on the Going-to-the-Sun Road from Siyeh Bend to Lunch Ck will be 35 mph, as designated by posted signs.

- x) The speed limit on the Many Glacier Road from the Park boundary to the Many Glacier Entrance Station will be 35 mph, as designated by posted signs.
- xi) The speed limit on the Two Medicine Road between Running Eagle falls and the Two Medicine developed site will be 35 mph, as designated by posted signs.
- xii) The speed limit on the Camas Road from the Apgar T-intersection to a point north of McDonald Creek will be 35 mph, as designated by posted signs.
- xiii) The speed limit on the Going-to-the-Sun Road from the Apgar Stable Road junction to a point just east of Logan Creek, excluding the road segment referred to in sec vii) will be 40 mph, as designated by posted signs.
- xiv) The speed limit on Highway US 2 will be 55 mph.

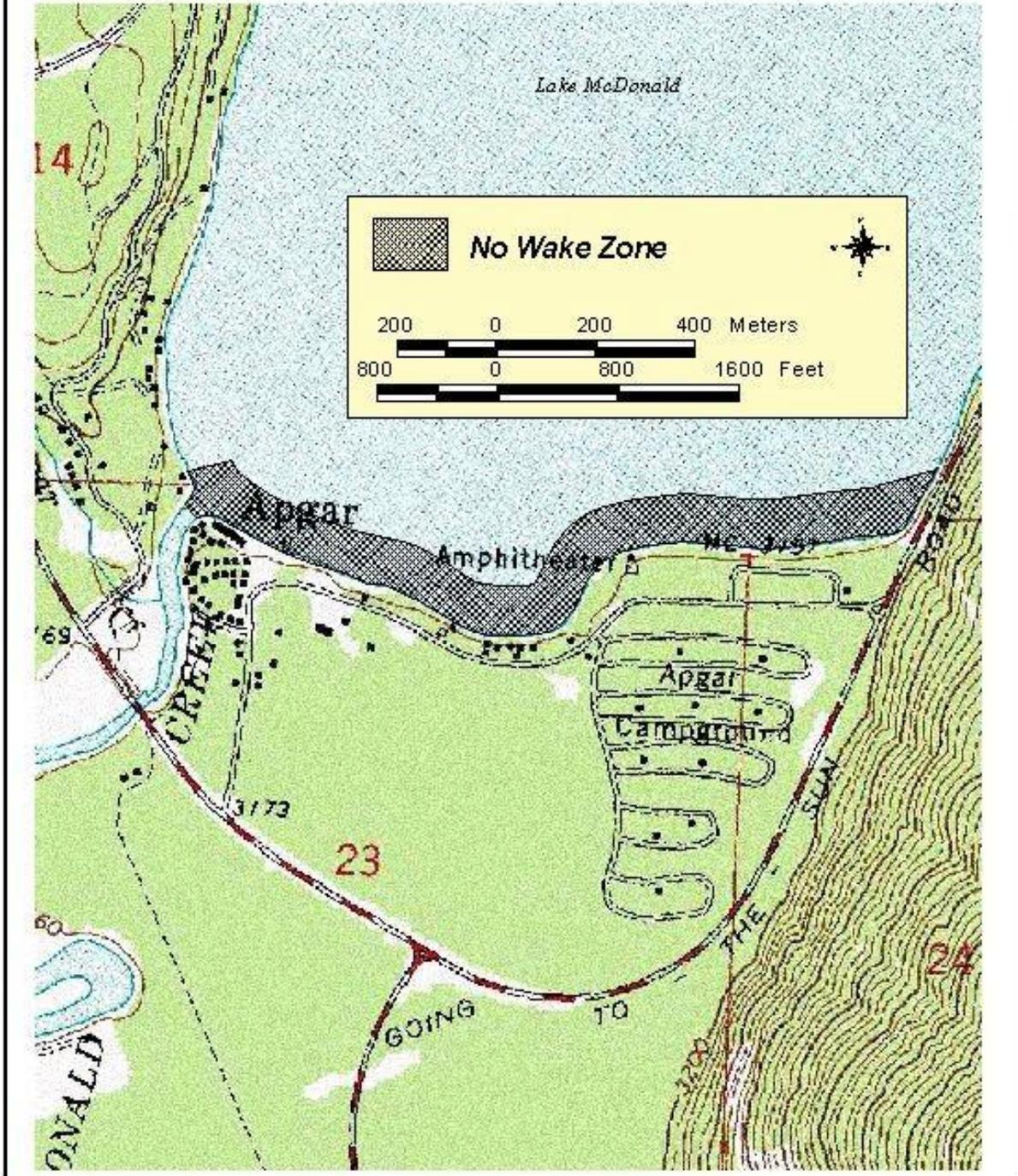
SECTION 4.30 BICYCLES

- (b) The paved Apgar Bicycle Path from Headquarters to Apgar is designated a special use zone and is open to bicycle use, except when used as a ski trail.

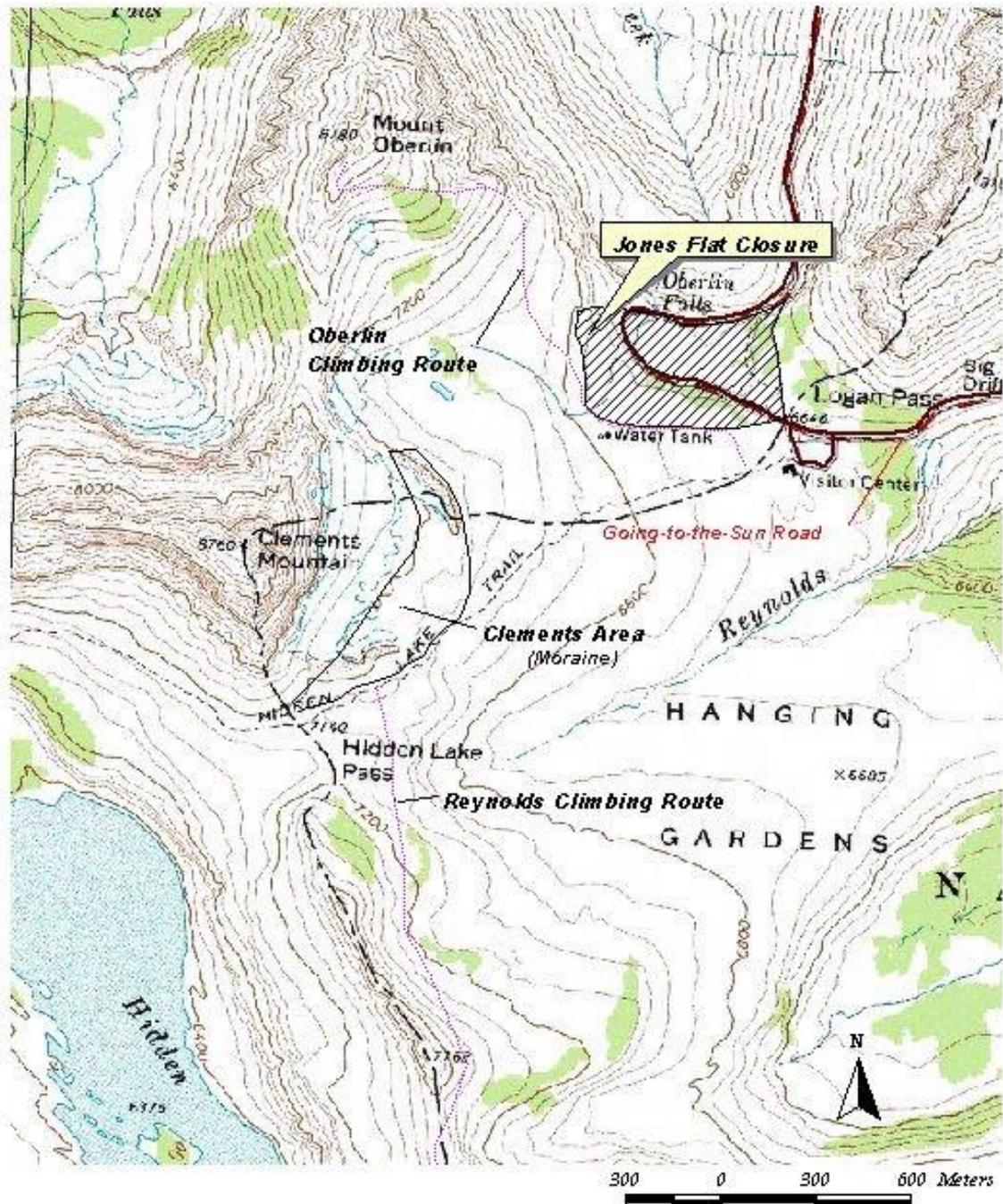
SECTION 4.31 HITCHHIKING

Hitchhiking is permitted, except within ½ mile of entrance stations, providing that there is sufficient space for vehicles to pull completely out of traffic lanes, and that public safety is not otherwise compromised.

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Map of Jones Flat Closure Area



Nyack-Coal Creek Camping Zone

