

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS

TITLE 36, CHAPTER 1

Amendment to the Compendium

Pursuant to NPS Policy Memorandum 14-05 dated 06/19/2014, those portions of the current Superintendent's Compendium, dated 7/02/2013, dealing with 36 CFR 1.5 hereby includes the information below. This inclusion, combined with the 2013 Compendium, constitutes the official compendium until such time as the entire document is updated.

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Approved by: Superintendent

6/20/2014

Date

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Recommended by: Chief Ranger

6/20/14

Date

Submitted by L. Slobodzian, Law Enforcement Specialist, June 20, 2014

CLOSURES AND PUBLIC USE LIMITS

Unmanned Aircraft

Launching, landing, or operating an unmanned aircraft from or on lands and waters administered by the National Park Service within the boundaries of Great Smoky Mountains National Park is prohibited except as approved in writing by the superintendent.

The term “unmanned aircraft” means a device that is used or intended to be used for flight in the air without the possibility of direct human intervention from within or on the device, and the associated operational elements and components that are required for the pilot or system operator in command to operate or control the device (such as cameras, sensors, communication links). This term includes all types of devices that meet this definition (e.g., model airplanes, quadcopters, drones) that are used for any purpose, including for recreation or commerce.

The compendium closures required to implement this interim policy are necessary to maintain public health and safety in units of the National Park System and to protect park resources and values until the NPS can determine whether specific uses of unmanned aircraft on lands and waters administered by the NPS are appropriate and will not cause unacceptable impacts on park resources and values. This closure by the superintendent implements Section 1.5 of NPS Management Policies 2006, which provides that a new form of park use may be allowed within a park only after a determination has been made in the professional judgment of the superintendent that it will not result in unacceptable impacts on park resources and values. When proposed park uses and the protection of park resources and values come into conflict, the protection of resources and values must be predominant.