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MEMORANDUM FOR All Fort Huachuca Personnel

SUBJECT: Amendment for Fort Huachuca National Defense Area Recreational Usage

1. REFERENCES.

- a. Fort Huachuca Policy 20-40, Hunting Policy
- b. Fort Huachuca Regulation 190-5, Motor Vehicle Traffic Code

2. PURPOSE. To ensure sustainable management of natural resources, particularly wildlife, on military installations, while also balancing all recreational activities to include hunting, hiking, and off-road vehicles opportunities with military mission and safety. These regulations aim to protect natural resources, promote ethical hunting practices, and maintain a safe environment for all personnel and activities within the Fort Huachuca National Defense Area (NDA) in addition to Fort Huachuca Policy 20-40.

3. SCOPE. This policy applies to all personnel, including military, civilian, and contractors, who are present in the Fort Huachuca NDA.

4. PROGRAM PROCEDURES.

a. All recreational users without a valid DOD ID can submit for a visitor access badge at <https://home.army.mil/huachuca/about/Garrison/DES/physical-security/nm-nda>. These recreational users must gain approval prior to recreating in the NDA. Failure to comply may lead to being detained or charged with unlawful entry onto a military installation.

b. All recreational users are subject to search or detainment for verification of status. Recreational activities will not interfere with military operations and will be terminated based on the instruction of military units in the NDA.

5. RECREATIONAL VEHICLES USAG.

a. The NDA is considered a restricted area where off-road riding may be prohibited. In the areas of the NDA where recreational vehicles are authorized, the following rules will apply:

b. All recreational vehicles will be registered as an Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV) prior to operating within the NDA.

c. All recreational vehicle operators and passengers will wear proper personal protective equipment. In accordance with Fort Huachuca Regulation 190-5:

(1) Helmet: properly fastened under the chin and certified to meet DOT Safety Standard 218 or SNELL.

(2) Eye protection includes goggles, wraparound glasses, or a full-face shield properly attached to a helmet. A windshield or fairing does not constitute eye protection.

(3) Protective Clothing: Protective clothing includes a long-sleeved shirt or jacket, long trousers, and full-fingered gloves or mittens made from leather or other abrasion-resistant material. MC jackets and pants constructed of abrasion-resistant materials (such as leather, Kevlar, or Cordura) and containing impact-absorbing padding are strongly encouraged. Riders are encouraged to select PPE that incorporates fluorescent colors and retro-reflective material.

(4) Foot Protection: Foot protection includes sturdy over-the-ankle footwear that affords protection for the feet and ankles.

d. Recreational vehicle use will be limited to Official Use Only and visitors with approved access passes, including holders of equities within the NDA, such as landowners, lease holders, and claim holders.

6. HUNTING.

a. Hunters will comply with all New Mexico and Arizona Fish and Game laws and rules while hunting on the NDA within the appropriate state boundaries.

b. Blaze orange is the standardized, required color of the upper garment and hat for all hunters in the NDA. All hunters must wear them during all hunting seasons regardless of the weapon to include big game, bird and small game hunting. Failure to adhere to this rule could result in suspension of hunting privileges. The blaze orange material must be at least 100 square inches (10 by 10 in.) on each side or at least a 400 square inch cap on top of the blind. It must be visible from all around the blind.

c. Hunting and/or shooting for all weapons, including rifle, shotgun, pistol, and bow and arrow, is prohibited within a radius of 1/4 mile of buildings, whether permanent or temporary, military or private vehicles, people, or border wall.

d. For security reasons, the use of wildlife cameras and unmanned aerial systems (UAS) is prohibited within the NDA.

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7. EFFECTIVE DATE. This policy will come into effect on the date of release and will be enforced thereafter.

8. The point of contact for this memorandum is the Fort Huachuca Chief of Police at 520-533-3000.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. Childs', with a large, sweeping loop at the end.

MICHAEL J. CHILDS
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Commanding