

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION
NORTH COAST REDWOODS DISTRICT

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT'S ORDER No. 2-635-31 Rev.

Drone Aircraft Prohibited
Date: June 13, 2022

Model aircraft and Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS or "drones") are an emergent technology that can have a negative impact on park resources and public safety and are generally inconsistent with the park experience. Due to the dramatic growth and popularity of model aircraft and UAS, and based on concerns related to wildlife, aesthetics, visitor safety and privacy, and fire hazards, the following lands and facilities located within the North Coast Redwoods District are restricted as follows:

Effective June 13, 2022, for the safety and welfare of the public, and under the authority of the California Code of Regulations, Title 14 Sections 4326 and 4301(i), the following regulations regarding Drone/UAS use shall apply to all lands owned or operated as part of the North Coast Redwoods District:

1. No person shall launch, land, or operate a powered unmanned aircraft or unmanned aerial system (UAS) within any park unit of the North Coast Redwoods District.

Exceptions to this order, at the discretion of the District Superintendent, **may** include:

- a) Commercial filming with applicable FAA Certificate of Authorization (COA), appropriate park unit permits and California Film Commission approval.
- b) Non-commercial use upon completion of the park unit's special use permit application and applicable FAA registration.
- c) Use by law enforcement under exigent circumstances.
- d) Scientific research with appropriate FAA registration and park unit permits.

If any exception is granted, as described above, all UAS/Drone equipment must be made available for inspection of safety compliance at the time of application.

2. Exceptions to this order may only be granted in writing by the District Superintendent, North Coast Redwoods District, P.O. Box 2006, Eureka CA 95502.
3. Nothing herein shall affect any existing private contract or property rights.
4. Nothing herein shall be construed in derogation of other provisions of law.

So, Ordered:



06/13/22

Victor Bjelajac, District Superintendent II

Date

AUTHORITY: California Public Resources Code, Section 5003, California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 4326(a)

CERTIFICATION OF POSTING

of District Superintendent's Order Number **2-635-31 Rev.**

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I hereby certify that on this date, in compliance with California Code of Regulation, Section 4301(i), *Posting*, copies of this order were posted at the North Coast Redwoods District Office, the Northern Division Chief's Office Sacramento, California and at locations convenient to the public within Prairie Creek Redwoods State Park.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

SIGNED:



06/13/22

Victor Bjelajac, District Superintendent II

Date