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MEMORANDUM FOR ALL FORT HUACHUCA PERSONNEL

SUBJECT: POLICY 20-42, Off-Highway Vehicle Operation

1. **APPLICABILITY.** This policy applies to all persons living or working on Fort Huachuca and all visitors.
2. **Improper operation of Off-Highway Vehicles (OHV) has required closure of firing ranges and has the potential for serious impacts to natural and cultural resources. In addition to the potential impact on military training, OHV use can cause soil erosion, damage vegetation, and create noise and dust problems. Improper OHV operation can potentially impact endangered species or archeological and historic sites.**
3. **References:**
 - a. **Army Regulation (AR) 200-1**
 - b. **Fort Huachuca (FH) Regulation 190-5**
 - c. **FH Regulation 385-8**
 - d. **Most current Fort Huachuca Programmatic Biological Opinion that addresses OHV use.**
 - e. **Arizona Revised Statutes (ARS) 28-1174 and 28-1179**
 - f. **Most current Fort Huachuca Hunting Information, Regulations and Guidelines**
4. **The following definitions apply to Fort Huachuca's policy on OHV use:**
 - a. **Established Roadways:** These are roads improved or unimproved and intended for public use. Typical examples include asphalt-surfaced and dirt roads, such as Garden Canyon Road up to the cable gate near Sawmill Canyon, and Huachuca Canyon Road up to the upper picnic area.
 - b. **OHVs:** Two or four-wheeled vehicles that are designed to be operated off highways and derive their power from any source other than muscle or wind. Three-wheel OHVs are not permitted to operate on Fort Huachuca as stated in FH Regulation 190-5.

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The definition for OHVs includes All Terrain Vehicles (ATVs), Utility Terrain Vehicles (UTVs) and Off-Road Vehicles (ORVs).

c. Firebreaks: Those areas cleared and graded for the purpose of preventing the spread of fire or providing access for fire suppression equipment.

d. Operation of the OHVs outside of the Cantonment is limited to established roadways and firebreaks. Maximum speed limits for OHVs and other wheeled vehicles, unless otherwise posted, is 25 miles per hour in accordance with FH Regulation 190-5.

e. Operation of OHVs is not permitted within ponds or basins, such as Tinker Pond.

f. OHVs operated on Fort Huachuca must be properly registered, licensed, and insured in accordance with (IAW) FH Regulation 190-5 and ARS 28-1179.

g. Operation of OHVs and other vehicles on closed roads is prohibited unless in conjunction with performance of official duties. Closed roads are identified by signs, fiberglass stakes, or boulders or other obstacles placed across them.

h. Cross-country driving of military and privately-owned vehicles (POVs) to include OHVs is prohibited except in case of emergency where no other mode of transportation is

i. Coordination should be made with Range Control or the Military Police Desk prior to OHV operation IAW FH Regulation 190-5 and 385-8. Persons desiring to participate in recreational activities on Fort Huachuca training lands are responsible for checking to ensure that military training is not taking place and that the areas they wish to access are not closed. Individuals or groups who fail to make such checks prior to entering such areas may not be able to successfully pursue a case of action, claim, or similar demand against the United States or its officers, agents, or employees, for any property loss or physical injury arising from their entry into or use of such areas.

j. Operators and passengers of OHV vehicles must wear the proper protective equipment as stated in FH Regulation 190-5.

k. During designated Fort Huachuca big game firearm hunting seasons, OHV operators and all other outdoor recreational users must wear the standardized Blaze Orange color for the upper garment and hat to ensure they are visible to hunters in the area.

l. It is prohibited to take (pursue, shoot, hunt, fish, trap, kill, capture, snare, or net) wildlife from a motorized vehicle. An OHV may be used only as a means of travel and not as a hunting aid. It is also unlawful to harass, molest, chase, rally, concentrate, herd, intercept, torment, or drive wildlife or livestock from any motorized ground vehicle. Citations can also be issued for damaging habitat or private property IAW FH

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Regulation 190-5, ARS 28-1174 and Fort Huachuca Hunting Information, Regulations and Guidelines.

m. No one may operate OHVs or any other vehicles, to create excessive or unusual smoke or dust or drive carelessly or recklessly, or in a manner that damages facilities, staging areas, travel routes or roads or endangers or is likely to endanger any person or animal. FH Regulation 190-5 and ARS 28-1174.

n. All vehicle operators are restricted from driving while intoxicated or under the influence of drugs. FH Regulation 190-5.

o. Persons violating this OHV policy may be barred, along with their vehicles, from access to Fort Huachuca. Further action, as appropriate may subject the offender to administrative action or punishment under Title 18, United States Code (USC), Uniform Code of Military Justice, Section 13 or Title 40, USC, Section 318c, and appropriately assimilated Title 28, ARS.

5. The point of contact for OHV issues is Directorate of Public Works, Environmental and Natural Resources Division at 533-5701.


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