

Temporary YTC Recreation Access Procedures **USGS Alert Level 3**

Due to potential hazards that may result from the eruption of Mount St. Helens (ash fallout), the Yakima Training Center has instituted temporary access procedures for the safety of the public.

- Individuals are required to keep a cell phone on your person and keep it turned “on” at all times. If you are hunting with others, at least one member of your hunting party who has constant contact with everyone in your group must have a cell phone and keep it turned “on”.
- The MP’s will require your cell phone number at time of registration.
- You may sign up for any three Training Areas. However, you must indicate to the MP’s at time of check-in which TA you intend to access first. Thereafter, you are required notify the MP’s via cell phone at (509) 577-3236 when they move from one TA to another.
- Hunters are to call (509) 577-3600 every two hours to verify conditions. This message will be updated if any changes occur, such as the eruption of Mt. St. Helens.
- Hunters should bring with them a three-day supply of food and water.
- Extra air filters for vehicles are recommended.
- Anyone with compromised respiratory systems (e.g. asthma) should take extra precautions.
- A pamphlet entitled “How to be prepared for volcanic ashfall”, prepared by the Washington Military Department Emergency Management Division provides additional information.