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HEADQUARTERS WESTERN DEFENSE COMMAND
AND FOURTH ARMY

Presidio of San Francisco, California

Public Proclamation No. 10

August 5, 1942

TO: The people within the States of Washington, Oregon and California, and to the Public Generally:

WHEREAS, by Public Proclamation No. 1, dated March 2, 1942, this Headquarters, there were designated and established Military Areas Nos. 1 and 2; and

WHEREAS, the armed forces of the enemy have made attacks upon vessels of the United States traveling along the Pacific Coastal waters and upon land installations within said Military Areas, and it is expected that such attacks will continue; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to provide maximum protection for war utilities, war materials and war premises located within the States of Washington, Oregon and California against enemy attacks by sea and by air;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, J. L. DEWITT, Lieutenant General, U. S. Army, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the President of the United States and by the Secretary of War and my powers and prerogatives as Commanding General of the Western Defense Command, do hereby declare that:

1. The present situation requires as a matter of military necessity that a Zone of Restricted Lighting be established within Military Areas Nos. 1 and 2, and that illumination within said Zone of Restricted Lighting be extinguished or controlled in such manner and to such extent as may be necessary to prevent such illumination from aiding the operations of the enemy.

2. Pursuant to the determination and statement of military necessity in Paragraph 1 hereof, a Zone of Restricted Lighting, as particularly described in Exhibit A hereof, and as generally shown on the map made a part hereof and marked Exhibit B, is hereby designated and established. Illumination within the entire area of said Zone of Restricted Lighting shall be extinguished or controlled at all times at night from sunset to sunrise as follows:

(a) **Signs, Commercial Floodlighting, Display Lighting and Amusement Places.** Illuminated signs and ornamental lighting of every description which are visible out-of-doors, and floodlighting which illuminates buildings or signs, including but not limited to all exterior advertising signs, billboards, display lighting, theatre marquee signs, building outline lighting, and interior signs and ornamental lighting immediately within unobscured window areas, shall be extinguished. This provision is not intended to prohibit ordinary store show-window lighting of normal intensity, except as provided for in Paragraph 3 of this Proclamation.

(b) **Ground Areas and Industrial Illumination.** Illumination of outdoor areas shall be controlled as follows:

- (1) Subject to the exceptions hereinafter stated, illumination on all outdoor ground areas, including but not limited to automobile service station yards, outdoor parking areas, recreation areas, and entrances to buildings, shall not exceed one foot candle at any point, and all outdoor light sources shall be so shielded that no light is emitted upward. The foregoing sentence shall not apply to street and highway lights nor to the ground areas illuminated solely thereby, nor to the classes of illumination referred to in the next subparagraph hereof.
- (2) All light sources for industrial and protective purposes, and light from industrial processes, shall be shielded or revised to as great an extent as may be

practicable in order to eliminate reduce to a minimum the amount of light which is emitted upward.

(c) **Traffic Signs and Signals.** All illuminated signs or signals which are authorized or maintained by governmental authority for the purpose of controlling street or highway traffic shall remain in operation, but shall be so shielded that no light is emitted upward.

(d) **Navigation Lights and Railroad Signals.** Authorized lights to facilitate air or water navigation, and authorized railroad signal lights, are hereby excepted from all the provisions of this Proclamation.

3. In addition to the restrictions hereinbefore imposed, illumination within that part of the Zone of Restricted Lighting which is visible from the sea, as hereinafter defined, shall be further diminished or obscured at all times at night from sunset to sunrise as follows:

(a) **Street and Highway Lights.** Street and highway lights in areas which are normally visible from the sea shall be so shielded that they are not visible from the sea at night and so that no light is emitted upward. It is contemplated that street and highway lights in other areas within the Zone of Restricted Lighting shall be governed and controlled by such subsequent orders or proclamations as the exigencies of military necessity may determine.

(b) **Residential, Commercial and Industrial Windows.** No lighting shall be permitted behind windows or glazed doors visible from the sea unless they are covered by drapes or shades.

(c) **Street and Highway Traffic.** Within areas from which normal automobile headlamps are visible from the sea all vehicles shall be subject to the following regulations:

(1) No vehicle shall operate during the night hours between sunset and sunrise with more than two lighted driving lamps, regardless of the direction of travel. Each such lamp shall provide a maximum of not more than 250 beam candlepower.

(d) **Industrial Fires.** All light from industrial processes, and from industrial fires, such as light from refuse burners, kilns, and furnaces, which are visible from the sea, shall be so shielded that they are not visible from the sea at night, and so that no light is emitted upward.

(e) Except for the lights referred to in subparagraphs 2 (c), and 2 (d) hereof, all other lights visible from the sea are prohibited at night, including but not limited to light from fires, bonfires, parked cars, flashlights and lanterns.

(f) The phrase, "visible from the sea," as used herein, is intended and shall be construed to mean and include that which is visible from the waters of the Pacific Ocean and from all the portion of the waters of the Straits of Juan de Fuca extending inland from the Pacific Ocean to a line running due north and south through the easternmost point on the easterly boundary line of the City of Port Townsend, Washington.

4. Any person violating any of the provisions of this Proclamation, or orders issued pursuant thereto, is subject to immediate exclusion from the territory of the Western Defense Command, and to the criminal penalties provided in Public Law No. 503, 77th Congress, approved March 21, 1942, entitled "An Act to provide a penalty for violation of restrictions or orders with respect to persons entering, remaining in, leaving, or committing any act in military areas or zones."

5. The Ninth Regional Civilian Defense Board is hereby designated as the primary agency to aid in the enforcement of the foregoing provisions. It is requested that the civil law enforcement agencies within the States affected by this Proclamation assist the Ninth Regional Civilian Defense Board in the enforcement hereof.

6. This Proclamation shall become effective August 20, 1942.

J. L. DEWITT
Lieutenant General, U. S. Army,
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EXHIBIT A—Description of Zone of Restricted Lighting

The Zone of Restricted Lighting referred to in the foregoing Public Proclamation No. 10 shall include the following counties, the entire area of each named county being included except where a portion of a county is specifically described.

WASHINGTON—Counties

CLALLAM
CLARK
COWLITZ
GRAYS HARBOR
ISLAND
JEFFERSON
KING—all that portion situated westerly of Snoqualmie National Forest.
KITSAP
LEWIS—all that portion situated westerly of the Sixth (6th) Guide Meridian east of the Willamette Meridian.
MASON
PACIFIC
PIERCE—all that portion situated westerly of Snoqualmie National Forest.
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SKAGIT—all that portion situated westerly of the western boundary of Mount Baker National Forest projected northerly to the northerly boundary of Skagit County.
SNOHOMISH—all that portion situated westerly of Mount Baker National Forest and Snoqualmie National Forest.
THURSTON
WAHKIAKUM
WHATCOM—all that portion situated westerly of Mt. Baker National Forest.

OREGON—Counties

CLACKAMAS—all that portion situated westerly of Mt. Hood National Forest.
CLATSOP
COLUMBIA
COOS
CURRY
DOUGLAS—all that portion situated westerly of the Eighth (8th) Guide Meridian west of the Willamette Meridian.
LANE—all that portion situated westerly of the Eighth (8th) Guide Meridian west of the Willamette Meridian.
LINCOLN
MARION—all that portion situated westerly of Willamette National Forest.
MULTNOMAH—all that portion situated westerly of Mount Hood National Forest.
POLK
TILLAMOOK
WASHINGTON
YAMHILL

CALIFORNIA—Counties

ALAMEDA
AMADOR—all that portion situated westerly of El Dorado National Forest.
BUTTE
CALAVERAS—all that portion situated westerly of Stanislaus National Forest.
COLUSA
CONTRA COSTA
DEL NORTE
EL DORADO—all that portion situated westerly of El Dorado National Forest.

FRESNO—all that portion situated westerly of Sierra National Forest.

GLENN

HUMBOLDT

KERN—all that portion situated westerly of the Meridian 118° 45', which runs approximately three miles west of Glennville, one mile west of Bena and seven miles east of Lebec.

KINGS

LAKE

LOS ANGELES—all that portion situated southwesterly of Angeles National Forest and westerly of Mint Canyon.

MADERA—all that portion situated westerly of Sierra National Forest.

MARIN

MARIPOSA—all that portion situated westerly of Stanislaus National Forest and Sierra National Forest.

MENDOCINO

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MONTEREY

NAPA

NEVADA—all that portion situated westerly of Tahoe National Forest.

PLACER—all that portion situated westerly of Tahoe National Forest.

ORANGE

RIVERSIDE—all that portion situated westerly of the San Bernardino Meridian, including all of the city of San Jacinto.

SACRAMENTO

SAN BENITO

SAN BERNARDINO—all that portion situated southwesterly of the San Bernardino National Forest.

SAN DIEGO—all that portion situated westerly of Anza Desert State Park.

SAN FRANCISCO

SAN JOAQUIN

SAN LUIS OBISPO

SAN MATEO

SHASTA—all that portion situated westerly of the Mount Diablo Meridian.

SANTA BARBARA

SANTA CLARA

SANTA CRUZ

SOLANO

SONOMA

STANISLAUS

SUTTER

TEHAMA—all that portion situated westerly of the Lassen National Forest and westerly of the most westerly boundary of Lassen National Forest projected north along the Mount Diablo Meridian to the southerly boundary of Shasta County.

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TULARE—all that portion situated westerly of Sierra National Forest, Sequoia National Park and Sequoia National Forest.

TUOLUMNE—all that portion situated westerly of Stanislaus National Forest.

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