FOREST ORDER

USDA FOREST SERVICE SAN ISABEL NATIONAL FOREST

East Bear Gulch Trail – NFST 1333 Seasonal Closure to Public Entry

Pursuant to 16 United States Code (U.S.C.) § 551 and 36 Code of Federal Regulations (C.F.R.) § 261.50(a), the following act is prohibited on the San Isabel National Forest for the protection of a Peregrine Falcon (*Falco peregrinus*) nesting site adjacent to National Forest System Trail (NFST) 1333, the East Bear Gulch Trail, in the area depicted on the attached map as Exhibit A, and hereby incorporated into this Order (the "Restricted Area"). The East Bear Gulch Trail will remain open to all uses during this area closure. The Restricted Area is further defined as that area within the boundaries generally described as beginning at a point ten yards north of the intersection of East Bear Gulch Trail (NFST 1333) and Fremont County Road 143; then west along a line that is ten yards north of the trail for 2,904 feet (0.55 miles) to the intersection with the upper contour of the cliff face; then north and east along the upper contour of the cliff face to Fremont County Road 143 at a point 633 feet (0.12 miles) north of East Bear Gulch Trailhead; then southwest and south along the west side of Fremont County Road 143 to the point of beginning.

PROHIBITION:

1. Going into or being upon the Restricted Area from April 1st through July 31st. 36 C.F.R. § 261.53(a)

EXEMPTIONS:

Pursuant to 36 C.F.R. § 261.50(e), the following persons are exempt from this order:

- 1. Persons with a permit specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission.
- 2. Any Federal, State or local officer or member of any organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.

This Order shall remain in effect from the date signed until August 1, 2023, or until rescinded, whichever event occurs first.

Done at Pueblo, Colorado.

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Violations of these prohibitions are punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000 for an individual or \$10,000 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than 6 months, or both. 16 U.S.C. § 551 and 18 U.S.C. §§ 3559 and 3571