UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOREST SERVICE LINCOLN NATIONAL FOREST GUADALUPE RANGER DISTRICT

AREA CLOSURE

PROHIBITIONS:

Pursuant to 16 USC 551 and Title 36 CFR 261.50 (a) the following acts are prohibited in the area described in this order, and as depicted on the attached map hereby incorporated into this order as Exhibit A (the "restricted area"), all within the Guadalupe Ranger District, Lincoln National Forest, Eddy County, New Mexico:

1. Entering or using Sitting Bull Falls Day Use Area and the surrounding area. 36 CFR 261.50(a).

EXEMPTIONS:

Pursuant to 36 CFR 261.50 (e) the following persons are exempt from this order:

- 1. Persons with a Forest Service permit specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission.
- 2. Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.
- 3. Persons engaged in a business, trade, or occupation in the area.
- 4. Any other person meeting exemption requirements specified in the order.

AREA DESCRIBED:

The closed area extends from Sitting Bull Falls Day Use Area to the Forest Boundary on the East, and includes Forest Service Trails 68, 68A, 212, 214, 215, 217, 226, the Sitting Bull Falls Day Use Area facilities, and Climbing Area in Last Chance Canyon accessed by Forest Service Road 525A. This area is located in T24S, R22E and T24S, R21E Section 12 (As shown on the attached map)

PURPOSE:

To allow for Health and Safety of the public as natural processes stabilize the terrain in the specified areas of the Guadalupe Mountains.

IMPLEMENTATION:

- 1. This Order shall be in effect when signed and shall remain in effect until further notice
- 2. This Order supersedes, rescinds, and replaces any previous orders prohibiting the same acts covered by this order.

3. Any violation of these prohibitions is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000.00 for individuals and \$10,000.00 for organizations, and/or imprisonment for not more than six (6) months, or both. [Title 16 USC 551, Title 18 USC 3571(b)(6), Title 18 USC 3581 (b)(7)].

Signed in Alamogordo, New Mexico this 27th day of April, 2011.

/s/ Robert G. Trujillo

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