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Area of Forest Closed Due to Butler 2 Fire

SAN BERNARDINO, Calif., October 5, 2007— The Mountaintop Ranger District on the San Bernardino National Forest has announced the closure of the forest area burned during the recent Butler 2 Fire. The burned area is closed to public access through at least December 1 to provide for public safety.

This closure includes the following forest system roads:

- 3N14, from Fawnskin to Big Pine Flat
- 3N16 from the intersection of 3N08, west to Crab Flats Campground
- 2N13 (Snowslide Road) and 2N13C (spur road to Butler Peak)
- 3N12
- All other roads within the burned area

Also closed are the following system trails:

- Gray's Peak
- Hanna Flat
- Pacific Crest Trail from Forest road 2N09, west to Forest road 3N16

All developed and dispersed camping facilities within the burned area are also closed to public entry, including Hanna Flat, Big Pine Flat, and several other small developed campsites.

The popular recreational areas at the north end of the Mountaintop District, including Horse Springs Campground are now reopened to public access. Forest roads 3N14 (Coxey Truck Trail) and 4N16 are also open, to a point one-quarter mile North of Big Pine Flat. 3N14 can be accessed from Central Road near Hesperia, while 4N16 can be accessed from High Road near Lucerne Valley.

The public is reminded that fire restrictions are heightened on the forest due to forecasted Santa Ana winds and recent wildfire activity. The most recent restriction prohibits wood and charcoal fires on the forest, including at developed and dispersed recreation sites.

For more information on the area closure or a list of all current fire restrictions, please contact the Big Bear Discovery Center at (909) 382-2790, the forest information number at (909) 382-2600, or visit our website at <http://www.fs.fed.us/r5/sanbernardino/>

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