



**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
U.S. FOREST SERVICE
CORONADO NATIONAL FOREST
SANTA CATALINA RANGER DISTRICT**

TEMPORARY AREA CLOSURE

PROHIBITIONS

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 551 and 36 C.F.R. § 261.50(a), the following acts are prohibited within the area described in this Order (the “Restricted Area”) and as depicted on the attached map, hereby incorporated into this Order as Exhibit A, within the Santa Catalina Ranger District, Coronado National Forest, Pima County, Arizona.

1. Camping. **36 C.F.R. § 261.58(e).**
2. Possessing or using a vehicle off National Forest System roads. **36 C.F.R. § 261.56.**
3. Parking or leaving a vehicle in violation of posted instructions. **36 C.F.R. § 261.58(g).**
4. Building, maintaining, attending or using a fire, campfire, or stove fire.
36 C.F.R. § 261.52(a).

EXEMPTIONS

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

1. Persons with a written Forest Service authorization specifically exempting them from the effect of this Order.
2. Any Federal, State or Local Law Enforcement Officer or member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.

RESTRICTED AREA

The Restricted Area is within Township 12 South, Range 16 East, Sections 5 and 6, specifically all National Forest System lands within the boundary starting at the junction of National Forest System Road (FR) 833 and FR 8, then following FR 833 southeast for approximately a quarter mile, until the junction with FR 2, then following FR 2 southeast for approximately a half mile, until the switchback, then following northwest through Bear Wallow Campground, until the junction of FR 833, the following FR 833 northwest for approximately an eighth of a mile, then following northwest off road for approximately an eighth of a mile, until the junction with FR 8,

then following east on FR 8, back to the point of beginning, at the junction of FR 833 and FR 8, as depicted in Exhibit A of this Order.

PURPOSE

To protect the riparian ecosystem from negative impacts associated with heavy recreational use in the Bear Wallow area, particularly dispersed camping.

IMPLEMENTATION

1. This Order will be effective on May 17, 2022 at 12 a.m., and shall remain in effect until September 30, 2023, or until rescinded, whichever occurs first.
2. A map identifying the Restricted Area is attached and made part of this Order as Exhibit A. For a digital version of the Order map, navigate to <https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/coronado/alerts-notice>.
3. Any violation of the prohibitions in this Order is punishable as a Class B misdemeanor by a fine of not more than \$5,000 for individuals and \$10,000 for organizations, or by imprisonment for not more than six (6) months, or both (*see* 16 U.S.C. § 551, 18 U.S.C. § 3571(b)(6), 18 U.S.C. § 3581(b)(7)).
4. Further information regarding this Order may be obtained at the Santa Catalina Ranger District located in Sabino Canyon, telephone number 520-749-8700, and at the Coronado National Forest Supervisor's Office in Tucson, telephone number 520-388-8300.
5. This Order supersedes any previous Orders prohibiting the same acts covered by this Order.

Done at Tucson, Arizona, this 17th day of May, 2022.

Kerwin S. Dewberry
Forest Supervisor
Coronado National Forest