FOREST ORDER

USDA FOREST SERVICE
WHITE RIVER NATIONAL FOREST
SOPRIS RANGER DISTRICT

Lime Creek Canyon Area Closure

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 551 and 36 C.F.R. § 261.50(a), the following act is prohibited on the National Forest System (NFS) lands within the Sopris Ranger District of the White River National Forest described below and shown on the attached maps incorporated into this Order as Exhibit A (Vicinity) and B (the “Described Area”). The purpose of this Order is to protect a peregrine falcon nest site located on the cliffs in Lime Creek Canyon near Kuntz Creek.

The Described Area is located in Eagle County, Colorado in the SW1/4 SW1/4 of Section 33, Township 7 South, Range 83 West, 6th P.M., and NW1/4 NW1/4 of Section 4, Township 8 South, Range 83 West, 6th P.M. It is further described as the approximately 2,400 feet of cliff face on the west side of Lime Creek Canyon north of Kuntz Creek, which is the climbing area known as “Jellystone Park.” It begins south of and includes the climbing feature known as the “Magic Forest” and ends north of and includes the climbing feature known as the “Endless Wall.”

PROHIBITIONS:

1. Going into or being upon the Described Area. 36 C.F.R. § 261.53(a), (b)

EXEMPTIONS:

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

1. Any Federal, State or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty; and
2. Persons with a special use authorization or other Forest Service authorizing specifically exempting them from the effect of this Order.

This Order shall be in effect on June 9, 2022, until rescinded or until August 1, 2022, whichever occurs first.
Done at Glenwood Springs, Colorado, this 6th day of June, 2022.

SCOTT FITZWILLIAMS
Forest Supervisor
White River National Forest

A violation of the above prohibitions is 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 six months, or both. (16 U.S.C. § 551 and 18 U.S.C. §§ 3559, 3571, 3581)
Exhibit A. Vicinity of Restricted Area, Sopris Ranger District, White River National Forest, Eagle County, Colorado.
Exhibit B. Map of Restricted Area, Sopris Ranger District, White River National Forest, Eagle County, Colorado.