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U.S. Department of Agriculture, U.S. Forest Service
Carson National Forest
Camino Real Ranger District
Hermits Peak and Calf Canyon Fire Closure

PROHIBITIONS

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 551 and 36 C.F.R. § 261.50(a) and (b) the following are prohibited on the National Forest System (NFS) roads and areas in the Camino Real Ranger District, Carson National Forest, described below and shown on the attached map incorporated into this Order as Exhibit A (the “Described Area and Roads”):

1. Going into or being upon the Described Area. 36 C.F.R. §§ 261.52(e), 261.53(e).
2. Using a motor vehicle on the Described Roads. 36 C.F.R. § 261.54(a).

EXEMPTIONS

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

1. Residents using roads in the Described Area to the extent necessary to access their private property.
2. Persons with Forest Service Permit No. FS-7700-48 (Permit for Use of Roads, Trails, or Areas Restricted by Regulation or Order), specifically exempting them from this Order or a written determination by a Forest Service authorized officer that a permit is not required under 36 C.F.R. § 251.50(e)(1) or (2).
3. Any Federal, State, or Local Officer, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting resource in the performance of an official duty.

DESCRIBED AREA and ROADS

As shown in the map at Exhibit A, the northern portion of the Described Area consists of all NFS lands, roads and trails within the boundary beginning at intersection of the Forest
Boundary and U.S. Highway 64, then west and north along U.S. Highway 64, then following NFS Road (FR) 5 north, then following the forest boundary south to the point of beginning at U.S. Highway 64.

As shown in the map at Exhibit A, the separate central portion of the Described Area consists of all NFS lands, roads and trails within the boundary beginning at the intersection of the Forest Boundary and State Highway 518, then following State Highway 518 south to the Rio Grande del Rancho Trailhead, then following National Forest System Trail (Trail) #18 (Rio Grande del Rancho Trail), then following an unnamed social trail west to the Pot Creek Interpretive Trail, then following the southern portion of Trail #2 (Pot Creek Interpretive Trail) west to State Highway 518, then following State Highway 518 south to NFS Road (FR) 438, then following FR 438 east to Trail #438 (Rito de la Olla Trail), then following Tail #438 to Frijoles Creek, then following Frijoles Creek southeast to the confluence with an unnamed creek and the section line of Township 22 North, Range 15 East, Section 6, then following the Range line between Range 14 East and Range 15 East south for approximately one mile to its intersection with FR 76, then following FR 76 south to FR 76F, then following FR 76F to FR 76FM, then following FR 76FM southeast to the Forest boundary, then following the Forest boundary in a general northern direction to Apache Pass, then following FR 705 to U.S. Highway 64, then following U.S Highway 64 southwest to FR 437, then following FR 437 generally south to Garcia Park and then generally west to the Forest boundary, then following the Forest boundary south to the point of beginning at State Highway 518.

As shown in the map at Exhibit A, the separate southern portion of the Described Area consists of all NFS lands, roads and trails within the boundary beginning at the Forest boundary at State Highway 76, then following State Highway 76 south to FR 207, then following FR 207 south to the Trampas Trailhead, then following the Trampas Lake Trail southeast to the Pecos Wilderness boundary, then following the wilderness boundary northeast to Township 21 North, Range 13 East, Section 15, then following the section line between Sections 16 and 15 south on the eastern slope of Jicarilla Peak to Trail #36 (Skyline-Divide Trail), then following the Skyline-Divide Trail southeast to the Forest boundary, then following the Forest boundary northeast to State Highway 518 at Holman Hill, then following State Highway 518 northwest to State Road 75, then following State Road 75 west to the Forest boundary, then following the Forest boundary south then west, back to the point of beginning at the intersection of the Forest boundary and State Highway 76.

Note:

FR 76 is open from its junction with FR 76F following south to Highway 518. It remains closed from its intersection with FR 76F following north and east to Angel Fire.

FR 116, including Hodges dispersed camping area, is open to the Santa Barbara Trailhead and Campground.

Trail #24 (Middle Fork Santa Barbara Trail) is open.
PURPOSE

The purpose of this Order is to protect public health and safety during wildfire suppression repair operations in the Described Area.

IMPLEMENTATION

1. This Order shall be in effect from August 24, 2022 at 8:00 am through September 30, 2022 at 8:00 am, unless rescinded.

2. A map identifying the Described Area and Roads is attached and made part of this Order as Exhibit A. For a digital version of this Order and Exhibit A, go to https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/carson/alerts-notices.

3. Unless otherwise expressly defined in this Order, the terms used in this Order are defined by the regulations of the Secretary of Agriculture, 36 C.F.R. Chapter II, Parts 200-299. If there are terms in this Order that are not expressly defined in the Order or 36 C.F.R. Chapter II, Parts 200-299, their meaning shall be determined by their plain language definitions.

4. A violation of the above prohibitions 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 months, or both. 16 U.S.C. § 551; 18 U.S.C. §§ 3559, 3571, and 3581.

5. Contact the Camino Real Ranger District in Penasco, NM (575) 587-2255, and Carson National Forest Supervisor’s Office in Taos NM, (575) 758-6200, for more information about this Order.

6. This Order supersedes any previous Orders prohibiting the same or similar acts on the same Described Area.

Signed and issued on ________________________.

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James D. Duran,
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Carson National Forest