Forest Order No. 17-22-09
USDA FOREST SERVICE
PACIFIC SOUTHWEST REGION
Tahoe National Forest
Mosquito Fire Area, Road, and Trail Closure

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 551 and 36 C.F.R. § 261.50(a) and (b), and to provide for public safety, the following acts are prohibited within the American River Ranger District of the Tahoe National Forest. This Order is effective beginning at 8:00 p.m., Pacific Daylight Time, on September 7, 2022, through December 31, 2022.

1. Going into or being upon National Forest System lands within the Mosquito Fire Closure Area, as described below and shown in Exhibit A. 36 C.F.R. § 261.52(e).

The Mosquito Fire Closure Area boundary begins in the at intersection of Mosquito Ridge Road (Forest Service Road No. 96) and the Tahoe National Forest (TNF), American River Ranger District Boundary, then continues approximately 26.6 miles generally north along TNF American River Ranger District Boundary to its intersection with the North Fork of the American River, then continues approximately 23.7 miles northeast along the North Fork of the American River to its intersection with the TNF American River Ranger District Boundary, then continues approximately 12.7 miles generally east along the TNF American River Ranger District Boundary to its intersection with the eastern edge of the Pacific Crest Trail (PCT) (Forest Service Trail No. 2000), then continues approximately 1.1 miles south along the eastern edge of the PCT (Forest Service Trail No. 2000) to its intersection with the TNF American River Ranger District Boundary, then continues approximately 16.3 miles southwest and then west along the TNF American River Ranger District Boundary to its intersection with the Middle Fork of the American River, then continues approximately 26.8 miles southwest along the Middle Fork of the American River to its intersection with the TNF American River Ranger District Boundary, then continues north along the TNF American River Ranger District Boundary to the starting point at its intersection with Mosquito Ridge Road (Forest Service Road No. 96).

2. Being on a National Forest System road within the Mosquito Fire Closure Area, as shown on Exhibit A. 36 C.F.R. § 261.54(e).

3. Being on a National Forest System trail within the Mosquito Fire Closure Area, including the Pacific Crest Trail, as shown on Exhibit A. 36 C.F.R. § 261.55(a).

Pursuant to 36 C.F.R. § 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 fire-fighting force in the performance of an official duty.

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.

3. Owners or lessees of land and residents of such private landholdings, to the extent necessary to access their land.
These prohibitions are in addition to the general prohibitions contained in 36 C.F.R. Part 261, Subpart A.

A violation of these 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 6 months, or both. 16 U.S.C. § 551 and 18 U.S.C. §§ 3559, 3571, and 3581.

Executed in Nevada City, California, this 7th day of September 2022

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