**Order: 01-11-82-23-01**

**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, U.S. FOREST SERVICE**
**CUSTER GALLATIN NATIONAL FOREST**
**BEARTOOTH RANGER DISTRICT**

Area Closure

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 551 and 36 C.F.R. § 261.50(a), the following acts are prohibited on the National Forest System lands within the Beartooth Ranger District, Custer Gallatin National Forest, within Carbon County, Montana described below and shown on the attached map incorporated into this order as Exhibit A.

**PROHIBITION:** Entry into or be upon any area which is closed for the protection of public health and safety. (36 CFR 261.53e))

**AREA CLOSURE DESCRIPTION:** Beginning at the intersection of Forest Road 2421 (Glacier Lake Road) and the Parkside Trail south along the Trail to Rock Creek. Rock Creek as the west boundary heading south to the intersection of Parkside trailhead north of MK Campground. Then from there East in a straight line from Rock Creek to Highway 212 S then generally North following Highway 212 to the Winter Closure gate at approximately mile post 56.5 then west to where Parkside trail intersects Forest Road 2421. See attached map.

**PURPOSE:** To provide for public safety due to increased and aggressive bear behavior in the close area.

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

1. 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.

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).

These prohibitions are in addition to the general prohibitions in 36 CFR Part 261, Subpart A.

The order will terminate one week post signature unless terminated earlier.

Executed in Red Lodge, Montana on May 8th 2023.

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Violation of these prohibitions is punishable by a fine of not more than $5,000 for an individual or $10,000 for an organization, imprisonment for not more than 6 months, or both. (16 U.S.C. 551 and 18 U.S.C. 3559 and 3571).