U.S. Department of Agriculture, U.S. Forest Service
Arapaho and Roosevelt National Forests
and Pawnee National Grassland
Canyon Lakes Ranger District

Area and Road 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) lands and roads in the Canyon Lakes Ranger District, Arapaho and Roosevelt National Forests and Pawnee National Grassland, described below and shown on the attached map incorporated into this Order as Exhibit A (the “Described Area” and “Described Roads”):

1. Going into or being upon the Described Area from September 5, 2023, through September 8, 2023, and from September 25, 2023, through October 10, 2023. 36 C.F.R. § 261.53(e).
2. Being on the Described Roads from September 5, 2023, through September 8, 2023, and from September 25, 2023, through October 10, 2023. 36 C.F.R. § 261.54(e).

EXEMPTIONS

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

1. 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).
2. Any Federal, State, or Local Officer, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.
3. Authorized Federal and State personnel conducting the powerline rebuild construction activities in the course of their official duties.

DESCRIBED AREA AND ROADS

The Described Area is east southeast of Estes Park, Colorado, and includes all NFS lands within ¼ mile of the Estes-Pole Hill-Flatiron transmission powerline located within
Sections 25, 26, 27, 34, 35 and 36, Township 5 North, Range 72 West, 6th P.M.

The Described Roads include the entirety of NFS Roads 122 (Pole Hill), 122A (Solitude Creek), 247 (Panorama Peak), 247A (Panorama Peak Spur), 247B (Solitude Creek) and 247D (Panorama Peak Spur D). These Described Roads are located within Sections 26, 34, and 35, Township 5 North, Range 72 West, 6th P.M.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this Order is to protect public safety from helicopter, crane and other construction activities related to the removal and replacement of the Estes-Pole Hill-Flatiron Power Transmission line.

IMPLEMENTATION

1. This Order shall be in effect from September 5, 2023 at 12:01 AM through October 10, 2023 at 11:59 PM, 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/arp/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 Canyon Lakes Ranger District or the Arapaho and Roosevelt National Forests and Pawnee National Grassland Supervisor’s Office by phone at (970-295-6600 for more information about this Order.

6. This Order supersedes any previous Orders, including Order ARP-CLRD-2023-06, prohibiting the same or similar acts in or on the same Described Area and Roads.
Signed and issued on September 5, 2023

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