

NATIONAL FORESTS AND GRASSLANDS IN TEXAS
Sam Houston National Forest
Montgomery, San Jacinto, Walker Counties, Texas

CLOSURE ORDER

FOREST SUPERVISOR ORDER No. 08-13-01-24-175

Pursuant to authorities found in 36 CFR 261.50(a) and (b), and 36 CFR 261.53(e), and due to severe flooding of roads, trails, developed recreation sites, facilities and conveyances, and the associated risk to public health and safety, I am closing the following Forest Service Roads and trails, developed recreation sites, and facilities and conveyances on the Sam Houston National Forest:

AREA CLOSED: This closure order is for Forest Service Roads and trails, developed recreation sites, and all other Forest Service facilities within the proclaimed boundary of the Sam Houston National Forest (see attached lists and maps with name/number/type/length/coordinates). Boat Ramps accessing Lake Conroe (Cagle and Scott's Ridge Boat Ramps will remain open depending upon closure of Lake Conroe by the San Jacinto River Authority).

EFFECTIVE DATE OF ORDER: This Closure Order is effective from May 21, 2024 until June 1, 2026.

PROHIBITED ACTS: No person may enter into or be upon any areas which are closed, as shown on the attached map.

1. Being on a road posted as closed. 36 CFR 261.54e
2. Being on a trail posted as closed. 36 CFR 261.55a
3. Entering or using a developed recreation site or portion thereof posted as closed. 36 CFR 261.58b

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

- a. Persons with permission from a forest officer;
- b. Persons with a permit specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission; and
- c. 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.

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

Executed in Lufkin, Texas this 21st day of May, 2024.



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Violations of these prohibitions set forth above are punishable by fine of not more than \$5,000 for an individual and \$10,000 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than (6) six months, or both. 16 U.S.C. § 551 and 18 U.S.C. §§ 3559 and 3571.

Note: The damage assessment phase of the response to this incident is on-going. As roads, trails, and recreation areas are repaired or otherwise determined to be safe for use and occupancy the following lists will be updated. Updates will be posted every 30-days to the Forest website at: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/texas/home/?cid=STELPRDB5292305>.

The following Recreation Sites are closed under this order:

Site Name/Number	Type	Latitude	Longitude
208 TRAILHEAD	TRAILHEAD	30.53666667	-95.65833333
233 TRAILHEAD	TRAILHEAD	30.54361111	-95.57777778
234 TRAILHEAD	TRAILHEAD	30.52795473	-95.56378111
BIG CREEK SCENIC AREA TRAILHEAD	TRAILHEAD	30.5027	-95.0833
CAGLE	CAMPGROUND	30.5221	-95.5902
DOUBLE LAKE	CAMPGROUND	30.5526	-95.1325
KELLY'S POND	CAMPGROUND	30.5113	-95.6616
NORTHWEST TRAILHEAD	TRAILHEAD	30.57805556	-95.72388889
RICHARD-RAVENS TRAILHEAD	TRAILHEAD	30.593646	-95.728289
SCOTTS RIDGE SWIM SITE	SWIMMING SITE	30.45259	-95.63394
STUBBLEFIELD LAKE	CAMPGROUND	30.5597	-95.6377

The following Trails are closed under this order:

Trail		Length (miles)
Number	Name	
800	LONE STAR	96.856
801	LITTLE LAKE CREEK	18.388
802	POLE CREEK	1.2441
803	FOUR NOTCH	5.0908
804	PINE	0.1428
805	WHITE OAK	0.4339
806	BIG CREEK	0.6612
808	BIG CR. PARKING L.	0.0984
809	DOUBLE LAKE - LAKE SHORE	1.3229
810	WEST FORK	0.3159
811	SAND BRANCH	0.7
813	NORTH WILDERNESS	2.248
814	LSHT FM1375 SPUR	0.0386
815	LSHT FM2025 SPUR	0.0197

825	CAGLE	0.9473
826	CAGLE NORTH	1.25
827	JOHN'S POINT	0.427
830	ZEBRA	7.0351
831	FERN	5.5505
832	SANDY	3.4252
833	LAKE LOOP	12.7569
834	YCC	2.2064
835	NORTHWEST	2.1511
836	BOY SCOUT	2.7461
840	WOODPECKER	8.5252
841	KELLY'S POND	2.9638
842	BIG LOOP	7.3001
843	HONEYMOON	2.58
844	STRING	5.13
845	SOUTH BALLOON	9.6421
846	NORTH BALLOON	7.5
850	DUCK POND TRAIL	0.6014
860	DL BIKE TRAIL	7.8186
861	DL BIKE TRAIL OUTSIDE	3.995
862	DL BIKE BROWN	0.7057
863	DL BIKE GREEN	0.39
864	HENRY LAKE	4.3825
865	RCW LOOP	2.1
866	C-TRAIL	3.0798
867	220 SPUR	0.7231
868	TRAIL OF WOE	0.4085
869	DL X-OVER	0.2227
870	START HILL	0.95
871	NORTH LOOP	5.0369
872	INNER LOOP	2.17
873	SOUTH LOOP	3.94
874	CCC CONNECTOR	0.0658
880	RAVEN	7.1505
881	IRON HORSE LOOP	10.1107
883	PEDEN DAIRY LOOP	2.405

The following Roads are closed under this order:

Road		Length (miles)
Number	Name	
200	BOSWELL CREEK	3.2982
2005	KING	0.5
2016		0.2

202	BIG WOODS	5.9
203	SINCLAIR	4
203A	SINCLAIR SPUR	1.25
2043	LITTLE SAM FOREST RD	0.45
204A	DUNLAP	2.279
204E		0.4
205B		0.2737
205D		0.3727
206	PHELPS RD	4.3
206A	BRIAR CREEK	3.41
207	DODGE RD	5.02
207	DODGE RD	8.847
208	COUNTY LINE	5.7
208H	MOUNTAINEER	0.6
209	FARRIS	3.6
209A	LYNCH	2.3
209B	HASAN	0.6
209B2		0.11
210	DOUBLE LAKE	2
2101	DOUBLE LAKE SP	0.667
210A	DOUBLE LAKE SPUR	1.3
211A	BETHEL SPUR	1.2
213		2.2
2135	FLAMINGO LAKE	0.5
217	BIG CREEK	2.8
217A	LAWLER	0.3303
217A2		0.4
219	MAGNOLIA	3.805
219A	PERRY WILLIAMS	1.25
219B	PIPE SPECS	0.8
220	HENRY CREEK	1.64
221	RED ROAD	7.17
222	SANDY CREEK	4
222A	MORAN	0.8
223	CHATHAM	2.608
223A		0.5728
224	CORRAL	1.7
2261	RAVEN OFFICE	0.2
228	NEBLETT'S CREEK	3.3

233	MOORE GROVE	4.1
233A	CALAHAM	1.37
233C	BROWN BRANCH	1.4
234	HOSTETTER LAKE	3.7
238	HOSTETTER	3.5
239	HNG	0.4
240	MACK	0.42
241	KILLAM RD	2.2
246	WATERGATE	0.8
247		0.2932
248	HARDY SMITH RD.	2.7
255A	GULF	0.2
256	COLINE	2.3
271	HALL	1.223
274A	MERCY SPUR	0.627
276	PLEASANT GROVE	0.9
276A	PLEASANT GROVE SPUR	0.6013
280	EAST FORK	1.9
280D		0.2437
281	MITCHELL	0.265
283D		0.23

