

ORDER NO. 01-16-03
JACKSON LAKE CLOSURE
ANGELES NATIONAL FOREST

Pursuant to 16 USC 551 and 36 CFR 261.50(a), and to provide for public safety, the following act is prohibited within the Santa Clara/Mojave Rivers Ranger District of the Angeles National Forest. This Order is effective from January 26, 2016 through March 31, 2016.

Going into or being upon Jackson Lake, as shown on the attached map.
36 CFR 261.53(e).

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

1. Persons with a permit from the Forest Service specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission.
2. Any Federal, State or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.

This prohibition is in addition to the general prohibitions contained in 36 CFR Part 261, Subpart A.

A violation of this prohibition 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 six months, or both. 16 USC 551 and 18 USC 3559, 3571 and 3581.

Done at Arcadia, California, this 25th day of January, 2016.



JEFFREY MAIL
Forest Supervisor
Angeles National Forest

Memorandum for the Record

From: Jeffrey Vail, Forest Supervisor
Re: Jackson Lake Closure, Forest Order No. 01-16-03

Pursuant to 36 CFR 261, I am issuing Forest Order No. 01-16-03 authorizing a temporary closure of Jackson Lake on the Santa Clara/Mojave Rivers Ranger District of the Angeles National Forest due to concerns for public safety. The closure will be in effect from January 26, 2016 through March 31, 2016.

Despite the “Danger Do Not Walk on Ice” signs posted around this area, members of the public still use the partially-frozen lake for various snow play activities. In past years, several recreationists have broken through the ice and required assistance climbing out of the freezing water. Large crowds are expected in this area through the 2016 winter season and the potential for additional incidents on this partially-frozen lake is high.

The following photos show both the warning signs and the user population recreating on the lake.





Because members of the public are not abiding by the warning signs, I find it necessary to institute this temporary closure for public safety.

This decision may be categorically excluded from documentation in an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) or Environmental Assessment (EA) under the National Environmental Policy Act. This action falls within the category identified in 36 CFR 220.6(d)(1) – prohibitions to provide short-term resource protection or to protect public health and safety – and does not require documentation in a decision memo, decision notice, or record of decision. I have determined that there are no extraordinary circumstances associated with this temporary closure.

Members of the public will be notified of this closure through the Angeles National Forest website, signs and postings.



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Closed Area

