

**EXHIBIT 01**

**ASSESSMENT OF NEED, ENFORCEMENT PLAN, AND CIVIL RIGHTS IMPACT ANALYSIS**

**Scope**

Order No. SJ-2016-01, to be signed by Kara Chadwick, Forest Supervisor, San Juan National Forest, will provide for improved resource protection and maintenance of natural conditions and processes by prohibiting summer and winter motorized and mechanical transport within the established boundary of the Grizzly Peak Research Natural Area (RNA). The Grizzly Peak RNA and associated closure area are located within the Dolores Ranger District of the San Juan National Forest.

This order will become effective beginning January 15, 2016, and continuing through January 15, 2021, unless rescinded earlier.

**Purpose**

This order is needed to enforce the allowable uses for RNAs approved in the September 13, 2013 Record of the Decision for the San Juan National Forest Land and Resource Management Plan (San Juan Forest Plan). The restrictions include the prohibition of entry by motorized and mechanized vehicles within the established boundary of the Grizzly Peak RNA. The Grizzly Peak RNA was recommended for designation in the San Juan Forest Plan and analyzed in the associated Environmental Impact Statement. It was officially designated on January 14, 2015 by Designation Order and accompanying Establishment Record. Prohibiting motorized and mechanized use within the RNA will provide for maintenance of natural conditions and processes in order to facilitate research and education and maintain biological diversity – the purposes for which RNAs are established on National Forest System lands.

**Posting**

This order will be posted in the San Juan Public Lands Center in Durango, Colorado and at each San Juan National Forest Ranger District as required in 36 C.F.R. § 261.51. Prior to implementation of the order, signs will be posted at possible entry points into the RNA.

**Coordination with Other Agencies**

Forest Service District employees and/or law enforcement officers will notify and coordinate with the following Agencies: Colorado Department of Wildlife, Colorado State Parks, and Dolores County Commissioners and Dolores County's Sheriff's Office. As necessary, the Forest Service may request enforcement and other assistance from those agencies.

**Patrol Activities**

Forest Protection Offices (FPOs), USFS Law Enforcement Officers, and District staff will monitor and enforce the closure. Patrols may occur anytime Sunday through Saturday with no set patrol patterns established. Non-law enforcement personnel will ensure proper order posting, signage, maintenance and assess information/education needs.

**Enforcement Strategies**

Emphasis will be placed on educating the public and various user groups to achieve a high level of compliance with the order. Law enforcement officers, at their discretion, may opt to make

public contacts or issue warning notices in lieu of issuing violations, especially during the initial phases of implementing the use restrictions. Officers must have proper authority, jurisdiction, and probable cause to issue citations for a violation of a law, regulation, or special order.

**Persons**

Pursuant to 36 C.F.R. § 261.50(e), the following persons are exempt under Order No. SJ-2015-07:

- Persons with a Forest Service permit specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission; and
- Any Federal, State or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force engaged in the performance of an official duty.

**Media**

This Order does not adversely impact the media.

**Civil Rights Impacts**

Restrictions and prohibitions in the Order apply to all individuals equally. No one protected class will be affected more than another.

**Enforcement Plan approved for implementation:**

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**FOREST SUPERVISOR**

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**DATE**