

**FOREST ORDER  
USDA FOREST SERVICE  
SAN JUAN NATIONAL FOREST  
Columbine Ranger District**

**Lower Hermosa Camping Area – Construction Closure**

Pursuant to 16 United States Code (U.S.C.) 551 and 36 Code of Federal Regulations (C.F.R.) § 261.58(b) the following acts are prohibited on National Forest System Lands on the Columbine Ranger District of the San Juan National Forest, La Plata County, State of Colorado within the Closure Area as depicted of the attached map hereby incorporated into this Order as Exhibit A.

This order is necessary to provide for public safety during construction work at the site. Work will involve various heavy equipment and will encompass the entirety of the site during the closure period specified below.

**PROHIBITIONS:**

- 1) Camping or occupying Lower Hermosa Campground [36 C.F.R. § 261.58(b)] T.37 N. R.9 W, Section 21, effective September 11 through September 16, 2016.

**EXEMPTIONS:**

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

- 1) Persons with a Forest Service permit specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission.
- 2) Any Federal, State, or local law enforcement officer or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force engaged in the performance of an official duty.
- 3) Persons parking and utilizing the adjacent Lower Hermosa Trailhead facility, provided they do not enter the construction area.

This Order shall remain in effect until September 16, 2016 or until rescinded, whichever occurs first.

Done at Durango Colorado this 31 day of August 2016.



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*Violations of these regulations are punishable as a Class B misdemeanor, by a fine of not more than \$5000 for an individual or \$10,000 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than six months or both (16 USC § 551, 18 USC 3571)*