Order No. WRNF 2016-14

TEMPORARY AREA CLOSURE ORDER

USDA FOREST SERVICE
WHITE RIVER NATIONAL FOREST SYSTEM LANDS RESTRICTION
BLANCO RANGER DISTRICT

For the protection of health and safety to the public pursuant to 16 USC 551 and 36 CFR 261.50 (a) and (b), the following acts are prohibited within the White River National Forest, Blanco Ranger District, Flat Tops Wilderness, Rio Blanco County, in the State of Colorado.

The restricted area is further defined as an area in the Flat Tops Wilderness located at T. 2S R. 90W, Sections 1,2,11-15,and 22-24; T. 2S R. 89W, all or portions of sections 2-10 and 15-21 including Trail #1828 Lost Solar Creek from its junction with trail # 1827 South Fork Trail to the junction of trail #1825 Oyster Lake Trail. Also trail #1825 from the junction with trail #1828 west to the junction with #2254. Trail #2254 between its junction with trail #2253 and trail #1825 as shown on the attached map. Park Creek Trail #1829 will remain open for now.

PROHIBITIONS:

1. Going into or being upon the National Forest System lands within the Lost Solar Creek Fire Closure Area: See Attached Map 36 C.F.R. 261.53(e)
2. Being on the closed portion Trails #1828 Lost Solar Creek, #1825 Oyster Lake Trail and Fowler Bench Trail #2254. See attached map 36 C.F.R 261.53(e).

EXEMPTIONS:

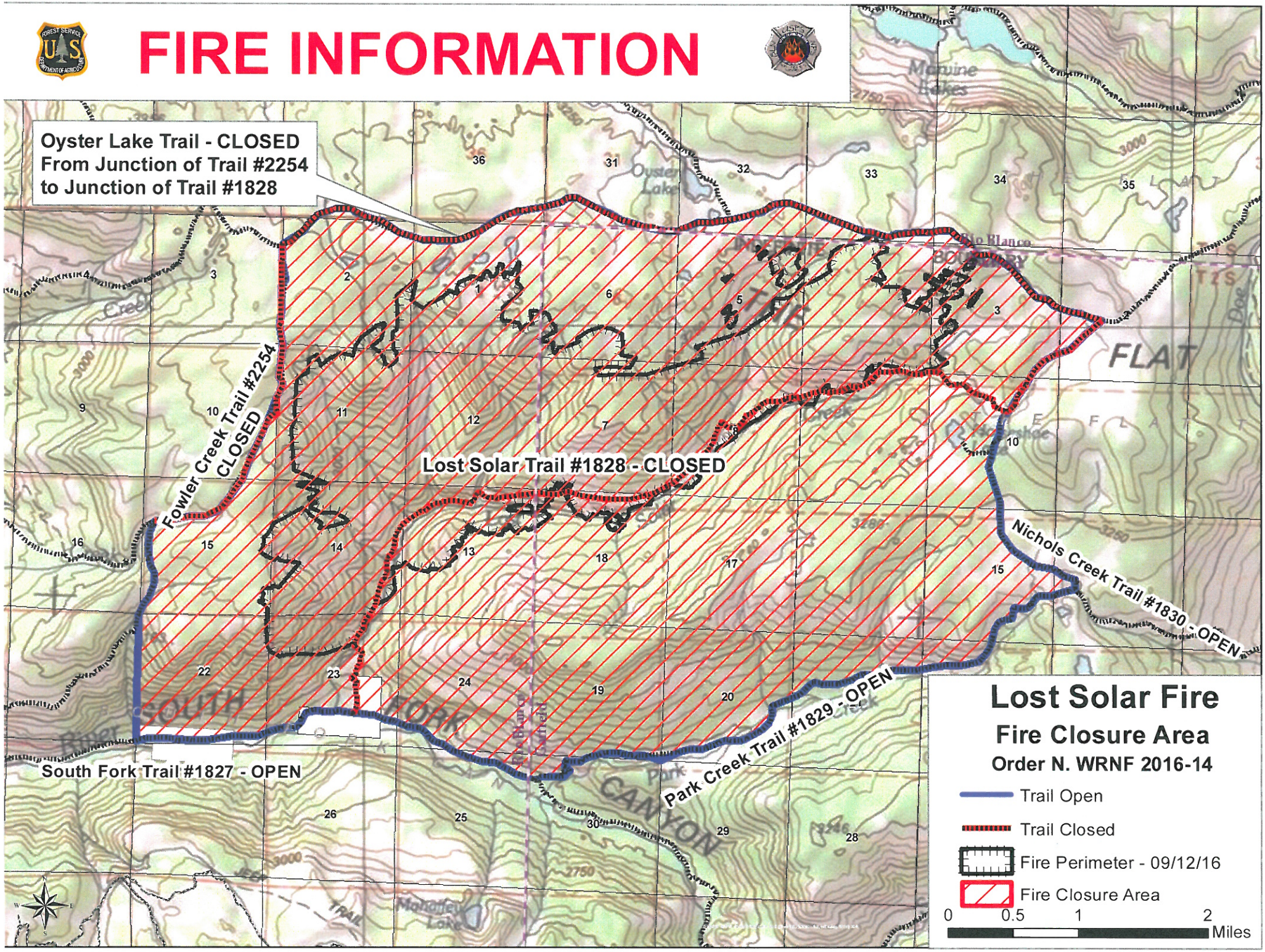
Pursuant to 36 C.F.R 261.50(e), the following persons are exempt from this order:

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

This order shall remain in effect until rescinded or until December 31, 2016, whichever event occurs first.

Done at Glenwood Springs, this 13th day of September, 2016

Scott Fitzwilliams
Forest Supervisor
White River National Forest Service

Violations of these prohibitions are punishable as a Class B misdemeanor by the fine of not more than $5000 for an individual or $10,000 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than 6 months, or both. (16 U.S.C. 551 and 18 U.S.C. 3559 and 3571).

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