Order # ARP-BRD-2017-03

FOREST ORDER

USDA FOREST SERVICE
Roosevelt National Forest

Boulder Ranger District

STAGE I FIRE AND SHOOTING RESTRICTIONS

Pursuant to 16 United States Code (U.S.C.) §551 and 36 Code of Federal Regulations (C.F.R.) § 261.50(a) and (b), the following acts are prohibited on all National Forest System lands within the Boulder Ranger District of the Roosevelt National Forest in Boulder, Gilpin and Jefferson Counties in the State of Colorado (the "Restricted Area") and on all roads and trails located within the Restricted Area (the "Restricted Roads and Trails"). The Restricted Area is depicted on the attached map, hereby incorporated into this Order as Exhibit A.

The purpose of this order is to protect public health and safety due to the current and anticipated elevated risk of wildfire.

PROHIBITIONS:

1) Building, maintaining, attending, or using a fire, campfire, or stove fire. 36 CFR § 261.52(a). This includes charcoal barbecues and grills.

   EXCEPT: Building, maintaining, attending or using a fire in constructed, permanent fire pits or fire grates within developed recreation sites (as specifically listed in the attached Exhibit B) and the use of portable stoves, lanterns using gas, jellied petroleum, pressurized liquid fuel or a fully enclosed (sheepherder type) stove with a ¼" spark arrester type screen is permitted.

2) Smoking, except in an enclosed vehicle or building, a developed recreation site, or while stopped in an area at least three feet in diameter that is barren or cleared of all flammable materials. 36 CFR § 261.52(d).

3) Operating a chainsaw without a USDA or SAE approved spark arrester properly installed and in effective working order, a chemical pressurized fire extinguisher kept with the operator, and one round point shovel with an overall length of at least 35 inches readily available for use. 36 CFR § 261.52(h).

4) Welding or operating acetylene or other torch with open flame except in cleared areas of at least 10 feet in diameter and in possession of a chemical pressurized fire extinguisher. 36 CFR § 261.52(i).

5) Using an explosive. 36 CFR § 261.52(b).

6) Discharging a firearm. 36 CFR § 261.58(m).

EXEMPTIONS:

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

1) Persons with a valid Forest Service permit or contract specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission may be eligible for an exemption from Prohibitions #1, #3, #4, and #5. Any exemption must be applied for in writing, include an appropriate mitigation plan and must be authorized in writing by the appropriate Forest Service official. The authorization must be in the physical possession of the person or persons undertaking the exempted activities.

2) Any federal, state or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty is exempt from Prohibitions #1, #3, #4, #5 and #6

3) Any person possessing a valid Colorado hunting license lawfully involved in hunting and harvesting game is exempt from Prohibition #6.

Notice regarding Exemptions: Holders of valid Forest Service permits, leases and authorizations and all other persons are on notice that when proceeding with activities that are authorized pursuant to these Exemptions, such persons are responsible for conducting authorized activities in a safe and prudent manner using extra precautions and are electing to proceed at their own risk. An exemption does not absolve an individual or organization from liability or responsibility for damage, injury or loss to the United States for any fire started while undertaking the exempted activity.

This Order will be in effect when signed and will remain in force until rescinded or until October 1, 2017, whichever event occurs first.

Executed in Fort Collins, CO, on this 6th day of July, 2017

Larry L. Roth (Acting)
MONTE WILLIAMS, Forest Supervisor
Arapaho and Roosevelt National Forests
and Pawnee National Grassland

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Violation of these prohibitions is punishable as a Class B misdemeanor by a fine of not more than $5,000 for an individual or $10,000 for an organizations, or imprisonment for more than six months, or both 16 U.S.C. § 551 and 18 USC §§ 3559 and 3571.

Exhibit B
Developed Recreation Sites

The following developed recreation sites where fees are charged allow fire in constructed, permanent fire pits or fire grates pursuant to the Exception for Prohibition #1.

- Kelly Dahl Campground
- Rainbow Lakes Campground
- Camp Dick Campground
- Peaceful Valley Campground
- Meeker Park Overflow Campground
- Olive Ridge Campground
- Brainard Lake Recreation Area (Includes Pawnee Campground)

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Exhibit A (Applies to National Forest System Lands Only)
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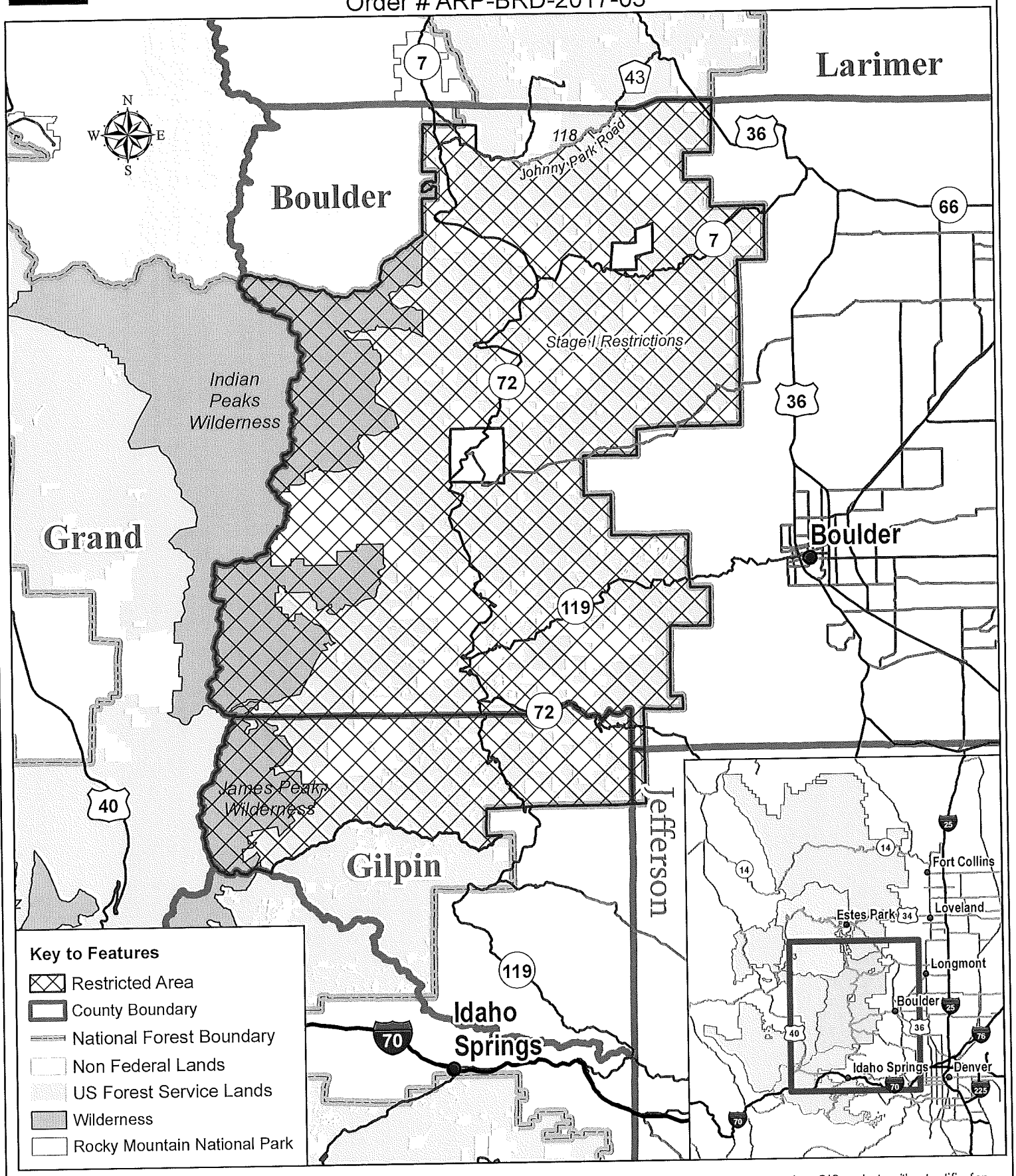

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For more information, contact the Arapaho Roosevelt National Forests and Pawnee National Grassland Supervisor's Office 2150 Centre Ft Collins, CO 80526 970-295-6600.

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