

FOREST ORDER

**USDA FOREST SERVICE
PIKE NATIONAL FOREST
Pikes Peak Ranger District**

**National Forest Occupancy and Use Restrictions
Bear Creek Watershed Restoration Project**

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 the National Forest System lands and National Forest System Trails within a portion of the Pikes Peak Ranger District, Pike National Forest, El Paso and Teller Counties, State of Colorado as described below and hereinafter referred to as the Restricted Area and the Bear Creek Watershed. The Restricted Area is depicted on the attached map, hereby incorporated into this Order as Exhibit A. The Bear Creek Watershed is a portion of the Restricted Area depicted on the second attached map, hereby incorporated into this Order as Exhibit B.

The purpose of this Order is to implement restrictions required by the Final Decision Notice for the Environmental Assessment issued on June 17, 2016. The Environmental Assessment resulted from the Bear Creek Watershed Restoration Project initiated for the protection of a unique population of greenback cutthroat trout, a Federally-listed threatened species under the Endangered Species Act.

The Restricted Area is described as the National Forest System lands within T 14 S, R 67 W in all or a portion of sections 20,21,28,29,30,31,32, and 33; and T 14 S, R 68 W in all or a portion of sections 22,23,24,25,26,27,34,35, and 36; and T 15 S, R 67 W in all or a portion of sections 5 and 6; and T 15 S, R 68 W, in all or a portion of sections 1, 2,3, 10, 11, and 12 all 6th PM, as shown on the attached Exhibit A. The Bear Creek Watershed is described as the National Forest System lands within T 14 S, R 67 W in all or a portion of sections 20,21,28,29,30,31, and 32; and T 14 S, R 68 W in all or a portion of sections 23,24,25,26,35, and 36, all 6th PM, except for National Forest System Trails or National Forest System Roads, as shown on the attached Exhibit B.

PROHIBITIONS:

1. Entering or using the National Forest System lands within the Bear Creek Watershed. 36 C.F.R. § 261.53(a).
2. Possessing or using an over-snow vehicle as defined below within the Bear Creek Watershed. 36 C.F.R. § 261.56.
3. Camping within the Bear Creek Watershed. 36 C.F.R. § 261.58(e).
4. Building, maintaining, attending or using a fire, campfire, or stove fire within the Restricted Area. 36 C.F.R. § 261.52(a).
5. Entering or using Bear Creek or any tributary stream of Bear Creek, within the Bear Creek Watershed. 36 C.F.R. § 261.53(a).
6. Possessing a dog, or any saddle or pack animal, in the water of Bear Creek, or in the water of any tributary stream of Bear Creek, within the Bear Creek Watershed. 36 C.F.R. § 261.58(s).
7. Possessing a dog, unless it is on a leash six (6) feet or less in length, on the Bear Creek Trail (NFST 666) or, the on Buckhorn Trail (NFST 776) between the intersection with NFST 666 and the intersection with NFST 667, within the Bear Creek Watershed. 36 C.F.R. § 261.58(s).
8. Possessing any saddle or pack animal not under physical restrictive control, on the Bear Creek Trail (NFST 666) or, on the Buckhorn Trail (NFST 776) between the intersection with NFST 666 and the intersection with NFST 667, within the Bear Creek Watershed. 36 C.F.R. § 261.58(s).

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.

DEFINITION:

As defined in 36 C.F.R. § 212.1, an over-snow vehicle is:

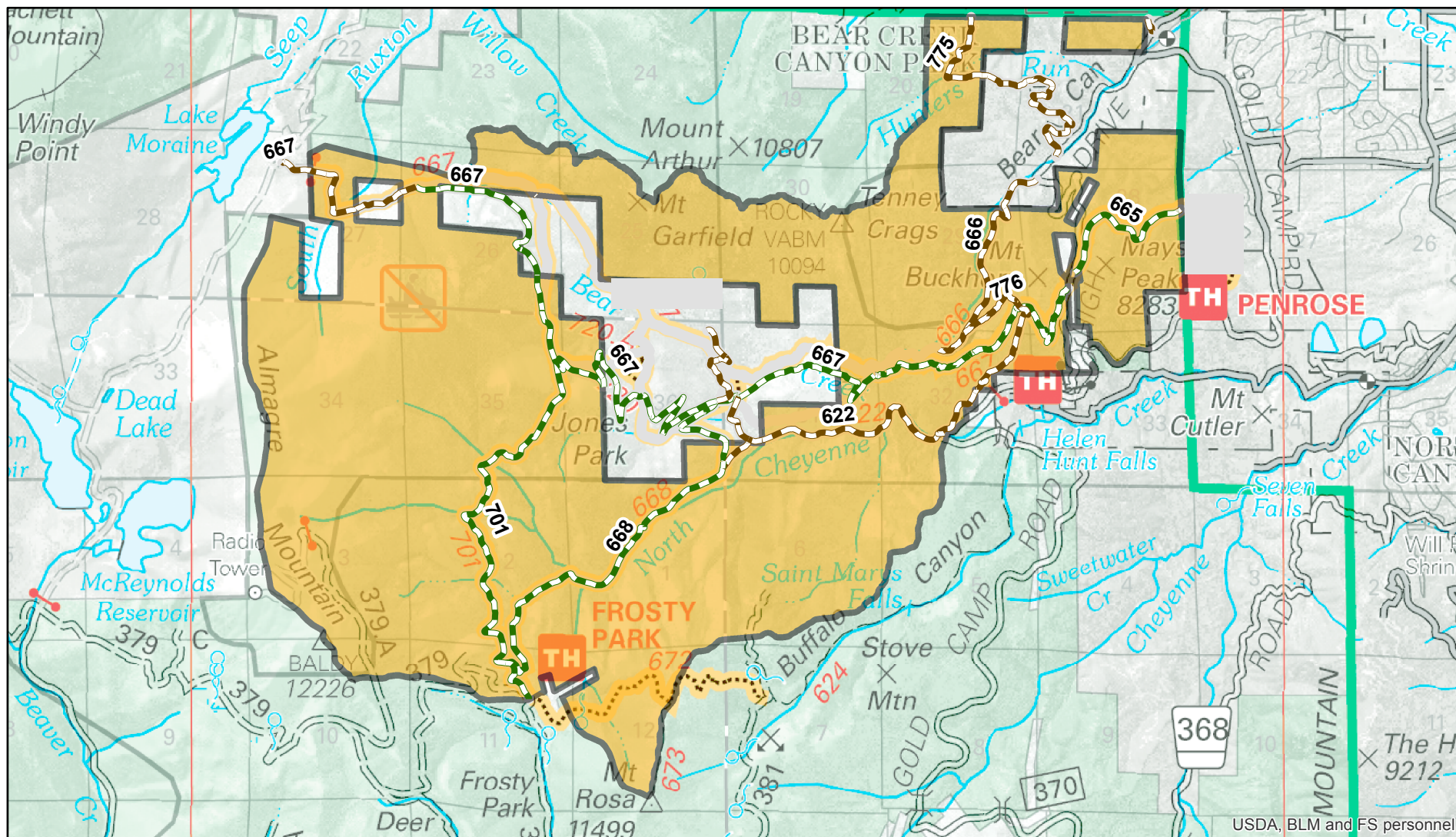
A motor vehicle that is designed for use over snow and runs on a track or tracks and/or a ski skis, while in use over snow.

This Order shall remain in effect for five (5) years from the date signed, or until rescinded, whichever event occurs first.

Done at Pueblo, Colorado, this 27th day of June, 2017.



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Pike and San Isabel National Forests
Cimarron and Comanche National Grasslands



Map Created: 05/17/2017

- Multiuse Trail
- Non-motorized Trail
- Restricted Area - No Campfires

Pike National Forest
Order PSICC-2017-12
Exhibit A
Bear Creek Watershed Restoration Project
Townships, Ranges, Sections covered:
T: 14S R: 67W Sect: 20-22, 27, 29, 30-33
T: 14S R: 68W Sect: 23-26 and 34-36
T: 15S R: 67W Sect: 5-6
T: 15S R: 68W Sect: 1-3 and 10-12
6th Principal Meridian

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