



**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
FOREST SERVICE  
COCONINO NATIONAL FORESTS  
MOGOLLON RIM RANGER DISTRICT**

***STAGE III TEMPORARY AREA CLOSURE FOR PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY  
DUE TO HIGH FIRE DANGER***

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. 551, 36 CFR § 261.50(a), and 36 CFR § 261.50(b), the following acts are prohibited on all National Forest System lands within the Coconino National Forest, in the following counties with the state of Arizona: Coconino. The restricted area is depicted on the attached map, hereby incorporated into this Order as Exhibit A.

**PROHIBITION:**

Going into, being upon, or using the restricted area in any way. The restricted areas including all roads, trails, camping areas, and lands. Authority: 36 C.F.R. § 261.52(e); *see also* 36 C.F.R. §§ 261.53(e), 261.54(a), 261.54(e), 261.55(a), 261.57(a).

The prohibitions concern all activities in the area described in this Order, including but not limited to: operating a motor vehicle, all-terrain-vehicle, and/or a motorcycle; hiking/walking; bicycling; camping; fuel-wood retrieval; and operating a drone.

**EXEMPTIONS:**

Pursuant to 36 C.F.R. § 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 fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.
3. Residents may access their private property via closed Forest Service roads only to the extent necessary to access such property.

**AREA DESCRIPTION:**

This area affects National Forest System lands within the exterior boundary of the attached map of the Mogollon Rim area. At the north east portion of the closure area at junction of Hwy 87 at approximately mile post 317, and the Coconino National Forest boundary head east along the Forest Boundary then south following the Coconino Forest Boundary to the South and west until it ties back in with Hwy 87,

the closed area follows Hwy 87 back to the forest boundary. Hwy 87 and Hwy 260 will remain open for travel.

**PURPOSE:**

This order is necessary to protect public health and safety due to fire danger.

**IMPLEMENTATION:**

1. This Order becomes effective at 1200 AM, May 23, 2018 and will remain in force until rescinded or until August 1, 2018, whichever occurs first.
2. This Order rescinds, replaces and supersedes any previous Orders prohibiting the same acts covered by this Order in that area addressed in Exhibit A.

Done at Flagstaff, Arizona, this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of May, 2018.


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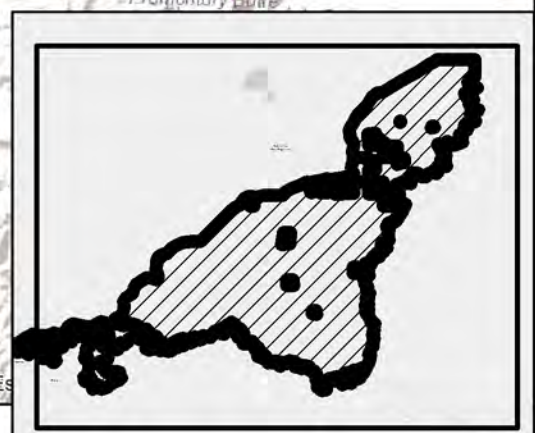
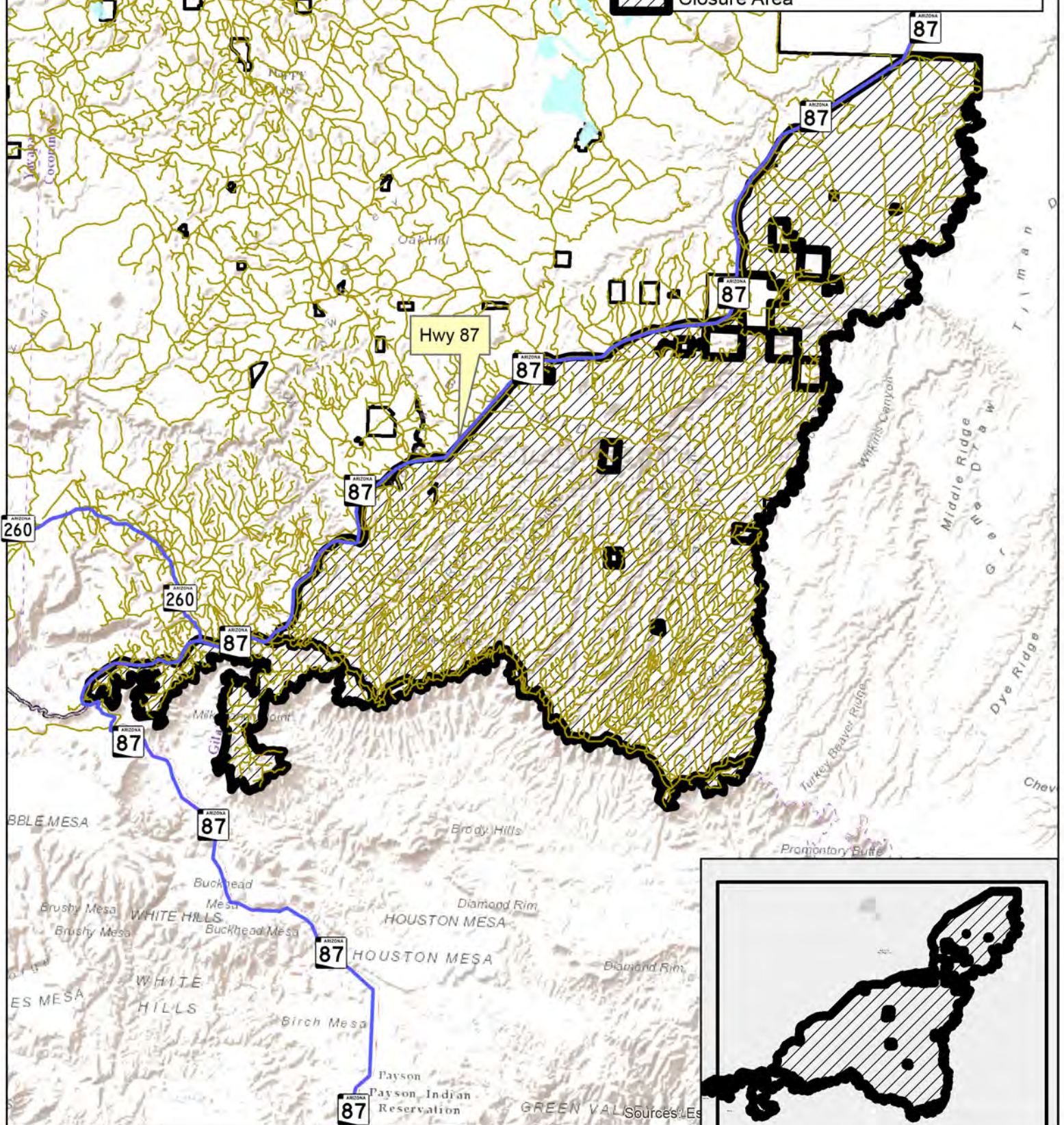
Violations of these regulations is punishable as a Class B misdemeanor, by a fine of not more than \$5000 for an individual or \$10,000 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than six (6) months or both; 16 USC § 551, and 18 USC §§ 3559 and 3571.



**Exhibit A**  
**Order No. 04-18-14-F**  
**Coconino National Forest**  
**Stage 3 Fire Restrictions (Area Closure)**

**Area closures are in effect on all National Forest Systems Lands within the boundary.**

 Closure Area



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