



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
U.S. FOREST SERVICE  
CORONADO NATIONAL FOREST  
SANTA CATALINA RANGER DISTRICT

*TEMPORARY AREA CLOSURE*

**PROHIBITIONS**

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 551 and 36 C.F.R. § 261.50(a), the following acts are prohibited within the area described in this Order (the "Restricted Area") and as depicted on the attached map, hereby incorporated into this Order as Exhibit A, within the Santa Catalina Ranger District, Coronado National Forest, Pima County, Arizona.

1. Camping. **36 C.F.R. § 261.58(e)**
2. Possessing or using a vehicle off National Forest System Roads. **36 C.F.R. § 261.56**
3. Parking or leaving a vehicle in violation of posted instructions. **36 C.F.R. § 261.58(g)**
4. Building, maintaining, attending, or using a fire, campfire, or stove fire. **36 C.F.R. § 261.52(a)**

**EXEMPTIONS**

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

1. Persons with a written Forest Service authorization specifically exempting them from the effect of this Order.
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.

**RESTRICTED AREA**

The Restricted Area is generally within Township 12 South, Range 16 East, Sections 5 and 6 and located on the east side of Forest Road 833, also known as General Hitchcock Highway, the main roadway that traverses Mt. Lemmon. specifically all lands within the boundary starting at the junction of FR 833 and FR 8, then following FR 833 southeast for approximately a quarter mile, until the junction of FR 2, then following FR 2 southeast for approximately a half mile, until the switchback, then heading northwest off-road until the junction of FR 833, then

following northwest off-road until the junction of FR 833 for approximately an eighth of a mile, then following off-road to the northwest for approximately an eighth of a mile, until the junction with FR 8, then following east on FR 8 until back to the point of the beginning, which is the junction for FR 833 and FR 8, as depicted in Exhibit A of this Order.

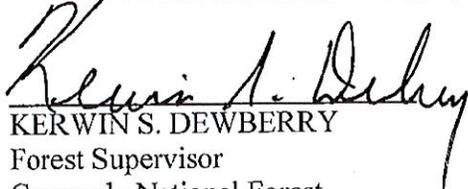
**PURPOSE**

The purpose of this Order is to protect public health, safety, and property, and to provide for a continued quality environment. Heavy recreational use in the Bear Wallow Riparian Area impacts the watershed, the endangered Mexican Spotted Owl and its habitat, as well as downstream water quality. Additionally, such recreational use also contributes to the risk of wildfire, further endangering public health and safety and this important watershed.

**IMPLEMENTATION**

1. This Order will be effective on October 1, 2019 at midnight, and shall remain in effect until September 30, 2021, or until rescinded, whichever occurs first.
2. A map identifying the Restricted Area is attached and made part of this Order as Exhibit A.
3. Exhibit B, "Definitions," is attached and incorporated into this Order.
4. Any violation of this prohibition is punishable as a Class B misdemeanor by a fine of not more than \$5,000 for individuals and \$10,000 for organizations, or by imprisonment for not more than six (6) months, or both (*see* 16 U.S.C. § 551, 18 U.S.C. § 3571(b)(6), 18 U.S.C. § 3581 (b)(7)).
5. Further information regarding this Order may be obtained at the Santa Catalina Ranger District located in Sabino Canyon, telephone number 520-749-8700, and at the Coronado National Forest Supervisor's Office in downtown Tucson, telephone number 520-388-8300
6. This Order supersedes any previous Orders prohibiting the same acts covered by this Order.

Done at Tucson, Arizona, this 7<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2019.

  
KERWIN S. DEWBERRY  
Forest Supervisor  
Coronado National Forest

# Exhibit A

## Bear Wallow Closure Santa Catalina Ranger District Coronado National Forest Order Number 03-05-05-19-14

-  Bear Wallow Restricted Area
-  Forest Road
-  Coronado National Forest
-  Wilderness Boundary

