



**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
FOREST SERVICE
APACHE-SITGREAVES NATIONAL FORESTS
ALPINE RANGER DISTRICT
*TEMPORARY TRAIL CLOSURE DUE TO WILDLAND FIRE***

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 551 and 36 C.F.R. § 261.50(b), the following acts are prohibited on the trails described in this Order, and depicted on the attached map, hereby incorporated into this order as Exhibit A, all within the Alpine Ranger District, Apache National Forest, Apache and Greenlee County, Arizona:

PROHIBITION:

1. Being on the trail. **36 C.F.R. § 261.53(e)**

EXEMPTIONS:

Pursuant to 36 CFR 261.50(e), the following persons are exempt from this Order:

1. Persons with a written Forest Service authorization specifically exempting this 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 TRAILS:

The following trails are closed (all located within in T3N, R31E, Sections 14, 22-27, 35 and 36; T 3N, R32E, Section 31; T 2N, R 32E, Section 6; and T 2N, R31E, Sections 1 and 12):

- National Forest System Trail (NFST) #55 (Cow Flat Trail) beginning at the trail junction of Bonanza Bill Trail #23, following the #55 trail to the southwest until it meets the junction of NFST WS Lake Trail # 54.
- NFST Lanphier Trail #52 at the trailhead at the junction of National Forest Service Road (NFSR) 281, following the trail to the southeast until it meets NFST Cow Flat Trail #55.
- NFST South Canyon Trail #53 at the trailhead at its junction with NFSR 281, following the trail to the southeast until it meets NFST Cow Flat Trail #55.

PURPOSE:

To protect public health and safety due to wildland fire activities along the trails.

IMPLEMENTATION:

1. This Order will be effective on September 8th, at 1200, and shall remain in effect until November 1, 2020, or until rescinded, whichever occurs first.
2. A map identifying the closed trails is attached and made part of this Order as Exhibit A.
3. 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)).
4. Further information regarding this Order may be obtained at the Apache Sitgreaves National Forest Supervisor's Office in Springerville, AZ, 928-333-6280.
5. This Order supersedes any previous orders prohibiting the same acts covered by this Order.

Signed in Springerville, Arizona, this 8th day of September, 2020.

Anthony Madrid
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Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest

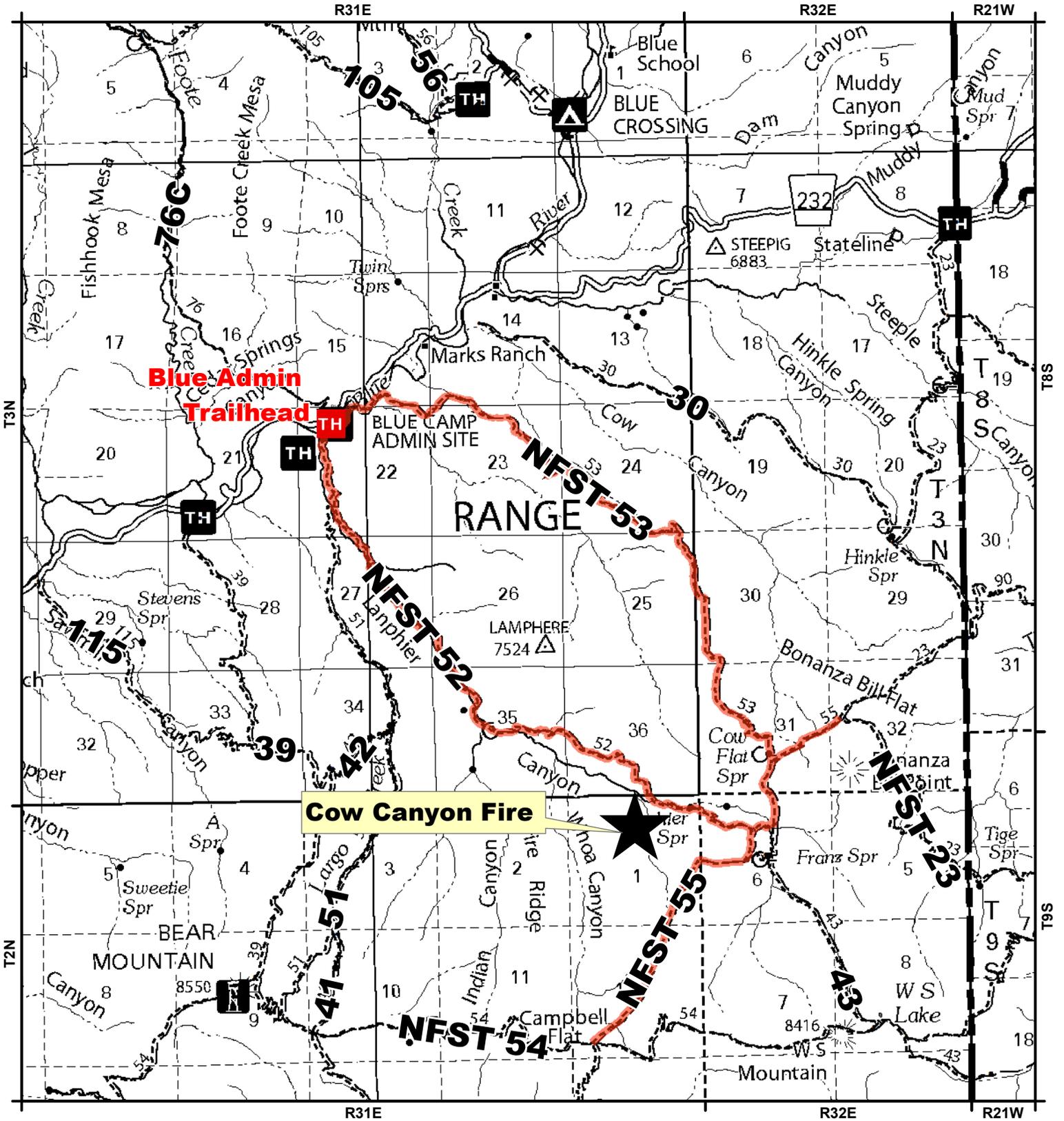


Cow Canyon Fire Trail Closure

Exhibit A

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Cow Canyon Fire

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Legend

- Closed Trails
- NFST Trail

