



**UNITED STATES FOREST SERVICE
TONTO NATIONAL FOREST
MESA RANGER DISTRICT**

TARGET SHOOTING PUBLIC SAFETY CLOSURE ORDER

PROHIBITIONS

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 551 and 36 C.F.R. § 261.50(a) and (b), the following acts are prohibited in 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 Mesa Ranger District of the Tonto National Forest, Pinal County, state of Arizona.

1. Discharging a firearm, air rifle or gas gun. **36 C.F.R. § 261.58(m).**

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 officer, or member of any organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.

RESTRICTED AREA

The Restricted Area includes all National Forest System lands, roads, and trails within the boundary beginning at the intersection of National Forest System Road (NFSR) 357 and the National Forest boundary, then following south and east for approximately 1.8 miles to the north side of US highway 60 right of way, then following the right of way east approximately 5 miles to the junction with NFSR 357, then following northwest along the north side of NFSR 357 for approximately 2 miles to its junction with NFSR 252, then following north and west along the east side of NFSR 252 for approximately 1.75 miles to its junction with NFSR 1903, then following north along the east side of NFSR 1903 approximately 3 miles to it terminus, then following northwesterly to Preston Well, then following northwesterly to NFSR 172 just southeast of Byous Butte, then following west along the section line to the National Forest boundary, then following

southerly along the National Forest boundary, back to the point of beginning at its intersection with NFSR 357.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this Order is to protect the health and safety of participants in a volunteer clean-up event taking place in the Restricted Area under a Forest Service Special Use Permit.

IMPLEMENTATION

1. This Order will be effective from 6:00 a.m. through 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, February 13, 2021, or until rescinded, whichever occurs first.
2. A map identifying the Restricted Area is attached and is 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 or \$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 Tonto National Forest Supervisor's Office in Phoenix, Arizona, (602) 225-5200, and at the Mesa Ranger District Office in Payson, AZ, 480-610-3300.
5. This Order supersedes any previous order prohibiting the same acts covered by this Order.

Dated this _____ day of February, 2021, at Phoenix, Arizona.

TOM TORRES
Acting Forest Supervisor