UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
FOREST SERVICE
Tonto National Forest
Payson Ranger District

Temporary Road Closure

PROHIBITIONS

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 551 and 36 C.F.R. § 261.50(b), the following act is prohibited on the roads described in this Order, and as depicted on the attached map, hereby incorporated into this Order as Exhibit A, all within the Payson Ranger District, Tonto National Forest, Gila County, Arizona:

1. Using a motor vehicle. 36 C.F.R. § 261.54(a).

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 any organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty; and

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

ROADS DESCRIBED

As depicted in Exhibit A, National Forest System Road (NFSR) 487 (Workman Creek Road), starting ¼ mile west of Workman Creek Falls, then continuing east/southeast, ending at the Aztec Lookout Tower on Aztec Peak

NFSR 487A (Murphy Ranch Road), starting at its intersection with NFSR 487, then continuing north, to its terminus at Murphy Ranch.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this Order is to protect the public’s health and safety from unsafe road conditions.
IMPLEMENTATION

1. This Order will be in effect on **June 18, 2021**, at 9 a.m., and shall remain in effect until **June 18, 2023**, or until rescinded, whichever occurs earlier.

2. A map identifying the road closures is attached and made a part of this Order as Exhibit A.

3. Violation of the prohibition in this Order is punishable as a Class B misdemeanor, by a fine of not more than $5,000 for an individual or $10,000 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than six (6) months or both (see 16 U.S.C. § 551, 18 U.S.C. §§ 3559, 3571, and 3581).

4. Further information regarding this Order may be obtained at the Payson Ranger District, telephone number 928-474-7900.

5. This Order supersedes any previous order prohibiting the same acts covered by this order.

Done at Phoenix, Arizona, this 18th day of June 2021.

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Forest Supervisor
Tonto National Forest
Road, trail, and area closure affects only National Forest System roads, trails and lands within the closure area on Tonto National Forest. The closure does not apply to any non-National Forest System roads, trails or lands within the closure boundary.

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