

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOREST SERVICE APACHE-SITGREAVES NATIONAL FORESTS

STAGE III FOREST CLOSURE

PROHIBITIONS

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 551 and 36 C.F.R. § 261.50(a), the following acts are prohibited on all National Forest System lands as described in this Order (the "Restricted Area") and as depicted on the attached map, hereby incorporated into this Order as Exhibit A, within the Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests, Apache, Coconino, Greenlee and Navajo Counties.

1. Going into or being upon the Restricted Area. 36 C.F.R. § 261.52(e)

EXEMPTIONS

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

- 1. Persons with a written Forest Service permit specifically exempting them from the effect of this Order.
- 2. Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of official duty.
- 3. Residents using roads in the Restricted Area to the extent necessary to access their private property.

RESTRICTED AREA

All National Forest System lands, roads and trails within the boundary of the Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests, as depicted in Exhibit A.

PURPOSE

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

IMPLEMENTATION

- 1. This Order will be in effect at 6:00 AM on Thursday, June 24, 2021, and shall remain in effect until September 1, 2021, or until rescinded, whichever occurs first.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. For a digital version of the Order map for the Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests, go to https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/asnf/alerts-notices.
- 3. Any violation of this prohibition 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 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 Forests Supervisor's Office/Springerville Ranger District in Springerville, Arizona, telephone number (928) 333-6280, the Alpine Ranger District located in Alpine, Arizona, telephone number (928) 339-5000, the Black Mesa Ranger District located in Overgaard, Arizona, telephone number (928) 535-7300, the Clifton Ranger District located in Duncan, Arizona, telephone number (928) 687-8600, and at the Lakeside Ranger District located in Lakeside, Arizona, telephone number (928) 368-2100.
- 5. This Order supersedes any previous orders prohibiting the same acts covered by this Order, but all Stage II restrictions under Order No. 03-01-21-14 remain in effect.

Done at Springerville, Arizona this 22nd day of June, 2021.

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Judith Palmer Forest Supervisor Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests





land line or ownership document. Public lands are subject to change and leasing, and may have access restrictions: check with local offices. Obtain permission before entering private land

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