**Order Number: 12-15-256**

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

**FOSSIL CREEK ROAD CLOSURE**

## PROHIBITION:

Pursuant to 16 USC 551 and Title 36 CFR 261.50 (a) and (b), the following act is prohibited on the road described in this Order on National Forest lands administered by the Tonto National Forest in Gila County in Arizona, and as depicted on the attached map, hereby incorporated into this Order as Exhibit A.

1. Using a motor vehicle on the portion of National Forest System Road 708, as described in Exhibit A, **36 CFR 261.54 (a)**

## EXEMPTIONS:

Pursuant to 36 CFR 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.

2. Person(s) with a Forest Service permit specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission.

## AREA DESCRIBED:

National Forest System Road 708, known as the "Fossil Creek Road" 1/2 mile west of the entrance to the Upper Fossil Springs Trailhead and extending west and down canyon to a point immediately east of the Waterfall Trailhead (Old Flume Trail Trailhead) as depicted in Exhibit A.

## PURPOSE:

The purpose and need for the restrictions is to provide for the public's health and safety during periods of unsafe road conditions resulting from unstable road surfaces.

**IMPLEMENTATION**

1. This Order become effective on April 15, 2015 and will remain in effect until April 15, 2017 or until rescinded whichever occurs first.
2. The Order rescinds, replaces and supersedes any previous Orders prohibiting the same acts covered by this Order as identified in Exhibit A.

*_/s/ NEIL BOSWORTH_____*

NEIL BOSWORTH
Forest Supervisor
Tonto National Forest

Violations of these prohibitions is punishable as a Class B Misdemeanor by a fine of not more than $5,000 for individuals and $10,000 for organizations, imprisonment for not more than six (6) months, or both. [Title 16 USC 551, Title 18 USC 3885 Title 18 USC 3571, and Title 18 USC 3581].

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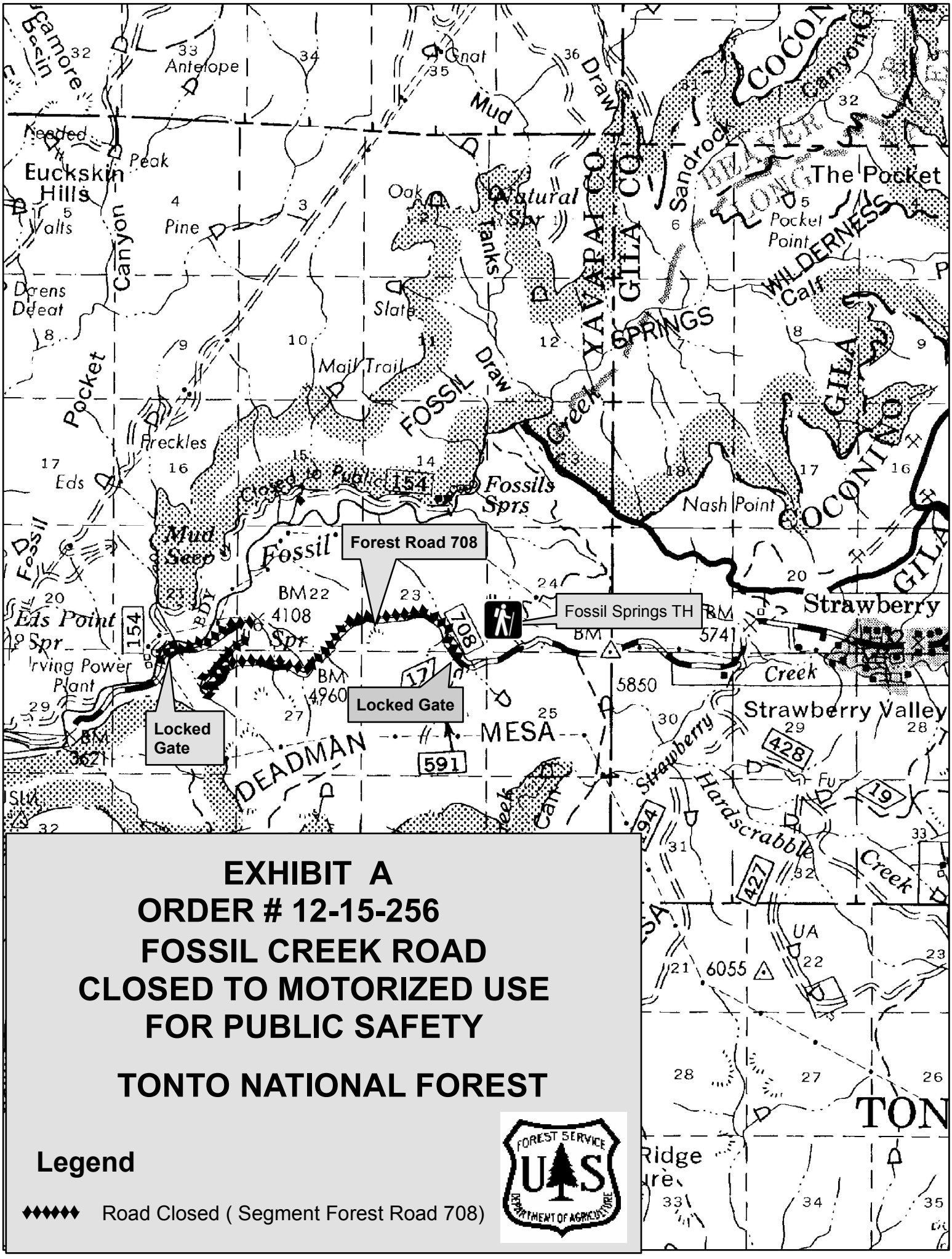


# EXHIBIT A
# ORDER # 12-15-256
# FOSSIL CREEK ROAD
# CLOSED TO MOTORIZED USE
# FOR PUBLIC SAFETY

## TONTO NATIONAL FOREST

**Legend**

♦♦♦♦♦ Road Closed ( Segment Forest Road 708)