



United States Forest Service  
Tonto National Forest

EMERGENCY FIRE RESTRICTIONS

**PROHIBITIONS**

Pursuant to 16 USC 551 and 36 CFR 261.50 (a) and (b), the following acts and omissions are prohibited on the areas, roads, and trails as described in this Order, and as depicted on the attached map hereby incorporated into this Order as Exhibit A (the “restricted area”), all within the Tonto National Forest, Maricopa, Gila, Yavapai, and Pinal Counties, Arizona:

1. Building, maintaining, attending or using a fire, campfire, or wood or charcoal burning stove. 36 CFR 261.52(a)

Exceptions: Campfires/charcoal fires in metal fire rings and pedestal grills provided by the Forest Service will be allowed in developed recreation sites listed in Exhibit B. Gas and propane stoves, lanterns or heating devices are permitted provided such devices meet the fire underwriter’s specifications for safety.

2. Smoking, except within an enclosed vehicle or building, or within a developed recreation site. 36 CFR 261.52(d)

3. Operating an internal combustion engine. 36 CFR 261.52(h)

Exceptions: a) Operating or using a motor vehicle, boat or other watercraft, or any other internal combustion engine, with a spark arresting device properly installed, maintained and in effective working order and meeting either USDA Forest Service Standard 5100-1a or appropriate SAE recommended practice J335 (b) and J350 (a).

4. Welding, or operating an acetylene torch or other torch with open flame. 36 CFR 261.52 (i).

5. Discharging a firearm, except while engaged in a lawful hunt pursuant to state, federal, or tribal laws and regulations. 36 CFR 261.58(m).

6. Using an explosive. 36 CFR 261.52 (b).



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**EXEMPTIONS**

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

1. Persons with a Forest Service permit specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission.
2. Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of any organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.
3. Residents, owners or lessees of land, and holders of Forest Service special use authorizations within the restricted area are exempt from prohibition number 1 (building, maintaining, attending or using a fire, campfire, or wood or charcoal burning stove) provided such fires are within a permanent structure (e.g. dwelling) and a spark arresting device is in use.

**AREA DESCRIBED**

All National Forest System lands, roads and trails within the Tonto National Forest, Maricopa, Gila, Yavapai, and Pinal Counties, Arizona (Exhibit A).

A list of developed recreation sites with metal fire rings and pedestal grills provided by the Forest Service as referenced in Prohibition 1 is attached hereto and made part of this Order as Exhibit B.

**PURPOSE**

The purpose of this Order is to provide for the public's health and safety and to protect National Forest System lands, resources and facilities during the current period of severe fire danger.

**IMPLEMENTATION**

1. Prohibitions contained in this Order become effective at 8:00 AM on June 5, 2015, and will remain in effect until rescinded or until August 30, 2015, whichever occurs first.



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2. Violation of these prohibitions is punishable 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. [16 USC 551, 18 USC 3559, 3571 and 3581].

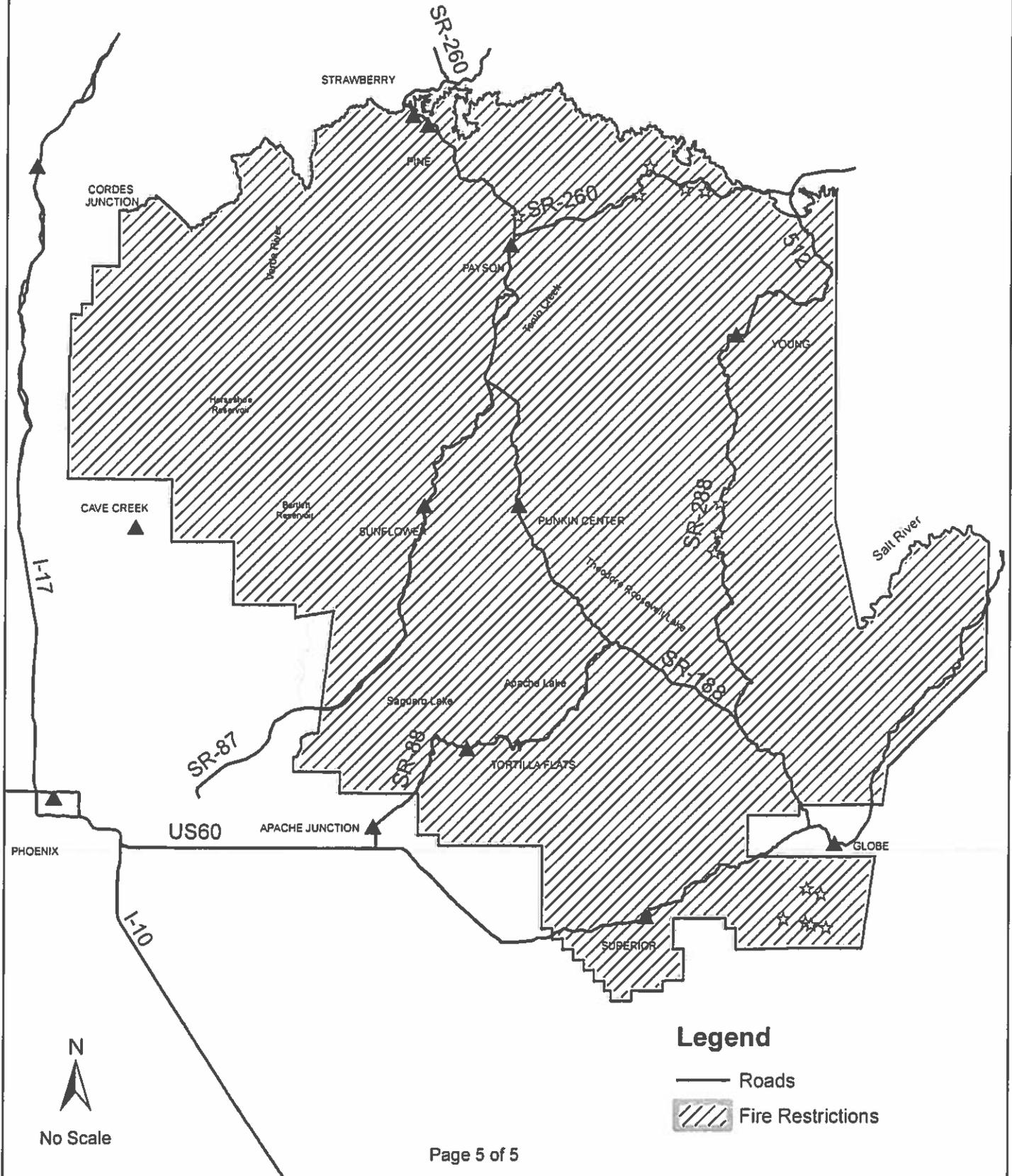
Done this 17th day of June 2015, at Phoenix, Arizona

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Exhibit A, Order No. 12-15-258





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EXHIBIT B – DEVELOPED RECREATION SITES EXEMPT FROM PROHIBITION NO.1

Cave Creek Ranger District

**Bartlett Lake Recreation Area**

Bartlett Lake Marina  
Rattlesnake Cove  
SB Cove parking lot ramadas with metal charcoal pedestal grills  
Yellow Cliffs parking lot ramadas with metal charcoal pedestal grills

**Lower Verde Recreation Area**

Needle Rock Day Use Picnic Area

Globe Ranger District

Pioneer Pass, in the Pinal Mtns  
Sulphide Del Ray, in the Pinal Mtns  
Kellner, in the Pinal Mtns  
Icehouse CCC Day Use Area  
Lower Pinal, in the Pinal Mtns  
Upper Pinal, in the Pinal Mtns  
Jones Water, off AZ Hwy 77 north of Globe  
Oak Flat, off AZ Hwy 60 east of Superior  
Timber Camp  
Timber Camp Horse Camp

Mesa Ranger District

Saguaro Del Norte  
Butcher Jones  
Acacia  
Boulder  
Laguna  
Palo Verde  
Granite Reef  
Phon D Sutton  
Coons Bluff



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|                             | Saguaro Lake Marina          |
|                             | Canyon Lake Marina           |
|                             | Pebble Beach                 |
|                             | Blue Point                   |
|                             | Sheep's Crossing             |
|                             | Water Users                  |
|                             | Larry Forbis Group Site      |
| Payson Ranger District      |                              |
|                             | Houston Mesa Campground      |
|                             | Houston Mesa Horse Camp      |
|                             | Ponderosa Campground         |
|                             | Christopher Creek Campground |
|                             | Sharp Creek Campground       |
|                             | Tonto Creek Campground       |
|                             | Tonto Creek Walk-In          |
| Tonto Basin Ranger District |                              |
|                             | Apache Lake Marina           |
|                             | Vineyard Picnic Site         |
|                             | Frazier Group Site           |
|                             | Frazier Campground           |
|                             | Windy Hill Campground        |
|                             | Cholla Campground            |
|                             | Grapevine Campground         |
|                             | Cottonwood Picnic Site       |
|                             | Schoolhouse Campground       |
|                             | Burnt Corral Campground      |