Order Number 03-05-15-350

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
FOREST SERVICE
CORONADO NATIONAL FOREST

OCCUPANCY AND USE

PROHIBITIONS

Pursuant to 16 USC 551 and Title 36 CFR 261.50 (a), the following acts are prohibited within all National Forest System lands as described in this Order and as depicted on the attached map, hereby incorporated into this Order as Exhibit A (the "restricted area"), within Cochise, Pima, Santa Cruz, Pinal, and Graham Counties, within the state of Arizona and within Hidalgo County within the state of New Mexico.

1. Camping within the Coronado National Forest for more than 14 days within any 60 day period. **36 CFR 261.58(a)**

EXEMPTIONS

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

1. Persons with a permit specifically authorizing the prohibited activity.
2. Any State, local or Federal officer, or any member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.

RESTRICTED AREA

National Forest System lands within the boundaries of the Coronado National Forest.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this Order is for the protection of National Forest visitors and employees, the prevention of user conflicts, the conservation of natural resources, and the protection of property belonging to the United States.

IMPLEMENTATION

1. This Order will be in effect when signed and shall remain in effect until August 14, 2017.
2. This Order supersedes, rescinds, and replaces any previous orders prohibiting the same acts covered by the Order.
3. Any violation of this prohibition is punishable as a Class B misdemeanor by a fine of not more than $5,000.00 for individuals and $10,000.00 for organizations or by imprisonment for not more than six (6) months, or both. [Title 16 USC 551, Title 18 USC 3559, 3571, and 3581]

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Done at Tucson, Arizona this 19 day of August, 2015.

KERWIN S. DEWBERRY
Forest Supervisor
Coronado National Forest

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Assessment of Need (Justification) and Enforcement Plan

1. Background. The purpose of this Order is the protection of National Forest visitors and employees, the prevention of user conflicts, the conservation of natural resources, and the protection of property belonging to the United States. An order is needed to be able to cite persons unwilling to comply with the Order.

2. Intent of Subpart B Order. This Order is written to provide for public health and safety and for conservation of natural resources on the Coronado National Forest.

3. Enforcement Plan. The following activities will occur in order to implement this Special Order in a manner that results in public acceptance and safety:

Forest Service law enforcement officers (LEO), as well as District Forest Protection Officers (FPO), will enforce the restrictions within the Coronado National Forest.

Forest Service Law Enforcement will coordinate with Pima, Graham, Pinal, Cochise, Santa Cruz, and Hidalgo County Sheriff's Departments to gain their support and cooperation with enforcement efforts.

Copies of the Closure Order and map will be available at Coronado National Forest Supervisors Office, all District offices, and on the Coronado National Forest website.

NEPA Compliance: This Order falls under FSH 1909.15, 31.12, (1): "Orders issued pursuant to 36 CFR Part 261 - Prohibitions to provide short-term resource protection or to protect public health and safety". This Order will not individually or cumulatively have a significant effect on the quality of the human environment and, therefore, is categorically excluded from documentation in an EIS or an EA. The only physical changes to the environment associated with this Order will be signs posted temporarily for the duration of the closure. No effects to extraordinary circumstances are anticipated.

Civil Rights Impact Statement: This Order does not constitute a "major action" as defined in FSH 1709.11, 31.1, Exhibit 01 (attached). It closes the entirety of Coronado National Forest to camping for more than 14 days within a 60 day period equally to all user groups; as such, no one group is expected to be displaced or experience a disproportionate burden as a result of this Order.

/S/ Joe Winfield
JOE WINFIELD
Recreation, Lands, and Special Uses

August 14, 2015
DATE

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ORDER CHECKLIST

Action	Responsible Official(s)	Initials/Date
Prepare proposed Order	Appropriate staff(s)	__JW 8/14/15__
NEPA requirements completed	Appropriate staff	__JW 8/14/15__
CRIA requirements completed	Appropriate staff	__JW 8/14/15__
Prepare enforcement plan	LEI with appropriate staff input	__CB 8/14/15__
Review proposed Order & approve enforcement plan	Patrol Captain	___CB 8/15/15_
Review by OGC (as needed)	Regional OGC	___AL 8/17/15__
Approve Order	Forest Supervisor	KAD 8/19/15
Post Order (36 CFR 261.51)	District Ranger/Forest Supervisor	_____
Prepare news releases for Order describing the order and management objectives Describe implementation/action taken for order, such as planned patrols, enforcement strategies, tolerance, contacts to local public agencies.	PAO	_____
Complete Case File Filing	Records Officer	_____

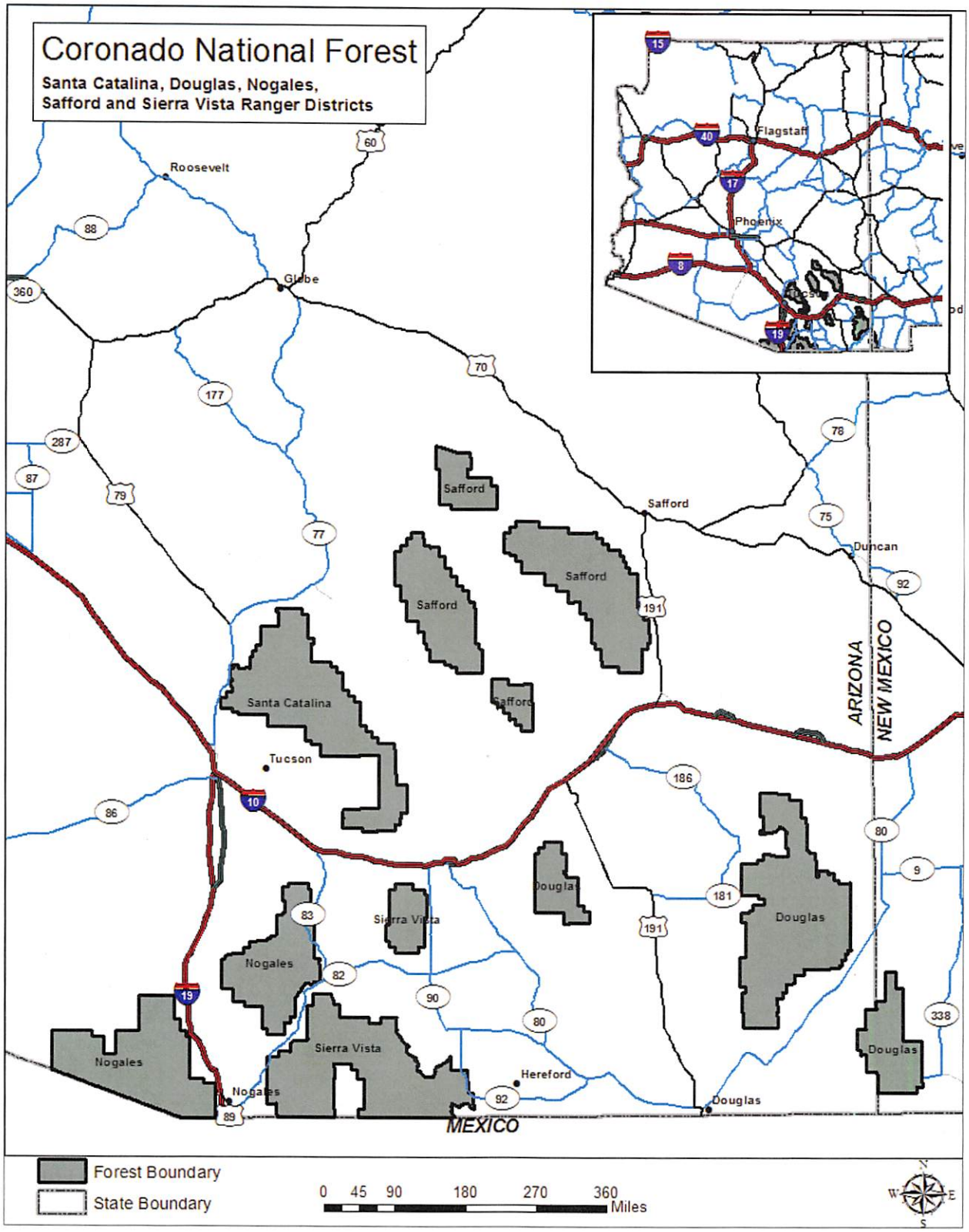

Exhibit A: The Restricted Area is the area within the Forest Boundary. Order 03-05-15-350, Coronado National Forest.