

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
FOREST SERVICE  
SALMON-CHALLIS NATIONAL FOREST  
CHALLIS-YANKEE FORK RANGER DISTRICT

AREA CLOSURE

**PROHIBITIONS:** Pursuant to Title 36 CFR 261.50 (a) and (b) the following act is prohibited on the area, roads, and trails as described in this order, all within the Challis-Yankee Fork Ranger District, Salmon-Challis National Forest until further notice.

1. Going into or being upon the area as described below and depicted on the attached maps that is closed for the protection of the public health or safety. **36 CFR 261.53(e)**

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

1. Persons with a permit specifically exempting them from the effect of this Order.
2. Owners or lessees of land in the area.
3. Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.

AREA DESCRIBED:

The mine waste material and surrounding area (approximately 47 acres), to the north of the Bayhorse Creek Road, #051, that portion associated with the Ramshorn and Skylark Mines as identified on attached maps A & B. Located in Township 12 North, Range 18 East, Section 05, and Township 13 North, Range 18 East, Section 32, Boise Meridian.

The above described area is within the proclaimed and administrative boundary of the Challis-Yankee Fork Ranger District, Salmon-Challis National Forest, in Custer County, Idaho.

PURPOSE:

To protect public health or safety. The mine wastes contain elevated levels of lead and arsenic. Incidental soil ingestion, inhalation of particulates, and dermal contact are exposure routes to metals at this site that are likely to be associated with unacceptable cancer or non-cancer risks or unacceptable increases in levels of lead in the blood stream.

IMPLEMENTATION:

1. This Order will be in effect when signed and shall remain in effect until further notice.
2. Maps A and B identifying the closure area are attached and made part of this Order.
3. Any violation of this prohibition is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000.00 for an individual or \$10,000.00 for an organization and/or imprisonment for not more than six (6) months. [Title 16 USC 551, Title 18 USC 3571(b)(6), Title 18 USC 3581 (b)(7)].
4. This Order supersedes any previous orders prohibiting the same acts covered by this Order in the above-described area.

Done at Salmon, Idaho this 21<sup>st</sup> day of April, 2011.

*/s/ Frank V. Guzman*

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