

ORDER
LAS CONCHAS FIRE MOTOR VEHICLE RESTRICTIONS
SANTA FE NATIONAL FOREST

Pursuant to 16 USC § 551 and Title 36 CFR §261.50 (a) and (b), the following acts are prohibited on all National Forest System lands in the restricted area as described below, within the Santa Fe National Forest, Sandoval County, New Mexico. The restricted area is depicted on the attached map, hereby incorporated into this Order as Exhibit A.

PROHIBITIONS:

1. Possessing or using any type of motorized vehicle off National Forest System Roads; 36 CFR § 261.56
2. Being on the roads within the restricted area, unless listed below as an "Exception"; 36 CFR § 261.54(e)

EXEMPTIONS:

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

1. Person(s) with a Forest Service permit specifically authorizing the prohibited act or omission.
2. Any Federal, State or Local officer or member of an organized firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.

AREA DESCRIPTION:

The order applies to National Forest System (NFS) lands and roads within the Las Conchas Fire area. Beginning at the southwest corner at the intersection of Forest Road (FR) 266 and FR 10, the western boundary of the area closure is along FR 10 north to the intersection of NM Highway 4 and includes all NFS lands east of FR 10. The area closure continues east along NM Hwy 4 to the Las Conchas Trailhead and includes all NFS lands south of NM Highway 4. The area closure continues north from the Las Conchas Trailhead to the southern boundary of the Valles Caldera National Preserve and includes all NFS lands east of the Las Conchas Trailhead and south of the Valles Caldera National Preserve. The area closure continues east along the southern boundary of the Valles Caldera National Preserve and southern boundary of the Bandelier National Monument and includes all NFS land south of the Bandelier National Monument. The area closure continues south along the Bandelier National Monument and Jemez Indian Reservation and includes all NFS lands west of the Bandelier National Monument. The area closure continues west along the north boundary of the Canada de Cochiti Grant and Jemez Indian Reservation. At the intersection of the Jemez Indian Reservation and FR 266, the area closure continues north and west along FR 266 to the intersection of FR 10 and includes all NFS lands east and north of the FR 266.

EXCEPTION/OPEN ROADS AND AREAS: Roads open to motor vehicle travel: FR 289 from the Cochiti Indian Reservation to the junction of FR 268; FR 36 from the junction of FR 289 to the junction of FR 286; FR 286 from the junction of FR 268 to the junction of Forest Trail 113; FR 266 from the junction of FR 10 to the Jemez Indian Reservation; FR 268 from the junction of NM Highway 4 to FR 286; FR 270 from FR 10 to Cerro Pelado Lookout; FR 280; FR 281; FR 282; Las Conchas Picnic Area and Fishing Access.

PURPOSE:

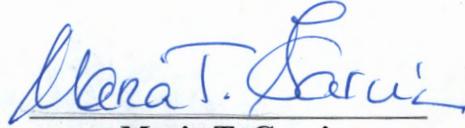
The purpose of this Order is to provide for the public's health and safety and to protect NFS lands and resources during the current period of fire rehabilitation activities.

IMPLEMENTATION:

1. This Order will be in effect when signed, and will remain in effect until July 30, 2013, unless rescinded earlier.

2. This Order supersedes, rescinds, and replaces any previous orders prohibiting the same acts covered by the Order.

Done at Santa Fe, New Mexico, this day of June 4, 2012



Maria T. Garcia
Forest Supervisor
Santa Fe National Forest

Violation of this regulation 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 imprisonment for not more than six (6) months, or both; 16 USC §551, and Title 18 USC §§ 3559 and 3571.

Las Conchas Fire Closure Area

Santa Fe National Forest
Closure Order # 10-368

Exhibit A



Road Open to Motorized Use



Restricted Area- It is prohibited to possess or use motorized vehicles off forest system roads or on those not shown as open

