

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
FOREST SERVICE
LINCOLN NATIONAL FOREST
SMOKEY BEAR RANGER DISTRICT

AREA EMERGENCY CLOSURE

PROHIBITIONS:

Pursuant to 16 USC 551 and Title 36 CFR 261.50 (a) the following acts are prohibited in the area 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 Smokey Bear Ranger District, Lincoln National Forest, Lincoln County, New Mexico:

1. **Going into or being upon the restricted area. (For Public Health and Safety)**
36 CFR 261.53 (e)
2. **Using any type of vehicle prohibited by the order. (For Public Health and Safety)**
36 CFR 261.54 (a)

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 an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.
3. Persons engaged in contracted work in the area.

AREA DESCRIBED:

The following National Forest Lands on the Smokey Bear Ranger District will remain closed:

- Access to portions of the Bonito Recreation Corridor off of FS Road 107 which includes established and dispersed campgrounds (South Fork and the Bonito Meadows).
- Access to Ski Apache Ski Area.
- Access to portions of the White Mountain Wilderness Area from Trail 20 (Rodemaker), Trail 19 (South Fork), Trail 18(Peacock), Trail 33 (Bluefront) and Big Bear Canyon/Forest Service Road 107A.

The following National Forest System Roads on the Smokey Bear Ranger District will be closed to motorized vehicles:

- Forest Service Road 598, Philadelphia Canyon, entire length.
- Forest Service Road 117, Monjeau, from the Crest Trailhead (Trail 25) to the Monjeau Lookout Tower.
- Forest Service Road 600, Kraut Canyon, entire length.
- Forest Service Road 601, Littleton Canyon, entire length.
- Forest Service Road 107C, Southfork Campground, entire length.
- Forest Service Road 107D, Bonito Meadows, entire length.

(REFER TO EXHIBIT A)

PURPOSE:

To allow for public safety while rehabilitation occurs within the Little Bear Fire Area.

IMPLEMENTATION:

1. This Order shall be in effect **October 12, 2012** and shall remain in effect until **December 31, 2012**, or until rescinded, whichever occurs first.
2. This Order supersedes, rescinds, and replaces any previous orders prohibiting the same acts covered by this order.
3. Any violation of these prohibitions is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000.00 for individuals and \$10,000.00 for organizations, 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)].

Signed in Alamogordo, New Mexico, this 11th day of **October, 2012**.

/s/ Robert Trujillo
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