

Special Restriction
Temporary Area Closure ~ Region 23 Complex Fire
(Douthit Fire and West Ash Fire)
USDA - FOREST SERVICE
NEBRASKA NATIONAL FORESTS AND GRASSLANDS

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C § 551 and 36 C.F.R § 261.50 (a) and (b), the following acts are prohibited within the Nebraska National Forests and Grasslands located in Sioux and Dawes County, Nebraska on National Forest System Lands in the area northwest of Crawford, Nebraska and west of Chadron, Nebraska (the "Restricted Area") and as shown on the attached maps which are incorporated into this Order as Appendix A and Appendix B and on all Forest Service roads located within the Restricted Area. Excluded from this order is the Hudson-Meng Bison Kill Research and Visitor Center developed site and Meng Drive which provides access to the site from Sand Creek Road which will be open for public use. This order is needed to provide for public health and safety by limiting nonessential use by the public during the Region 23 Complex wildfire activities.

PROHIBITIONS ON THE RESTRICTED AREA, ROADS, AND TRAILS:

- (1) Going into or being upon the Restricted Area, 36 C.F.R. § 261.53(e).
- (2) Being on the Restricted Roads, 36 C.F.R. § 261.54(e).

Pursuant to 36 C.F.R § 261.50(e), the following are EXEMPT from the 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 engaged in the performance of an official duty.
3. Persons traveling to and from their primary residence located within the restricted area.

This Order takes effect immediately and shall be in effect until December 31, 2012 or until rescinded, whichever event occurs first.

Done at Chadron, Nebraska this 6th day of September, 2012


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Forest Supervisor

RESTRICTED AREA

includes National Forest lands within boundary

APPENDIX B

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Wesh Ash Fire

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To Chadron



Restriction Area

Private

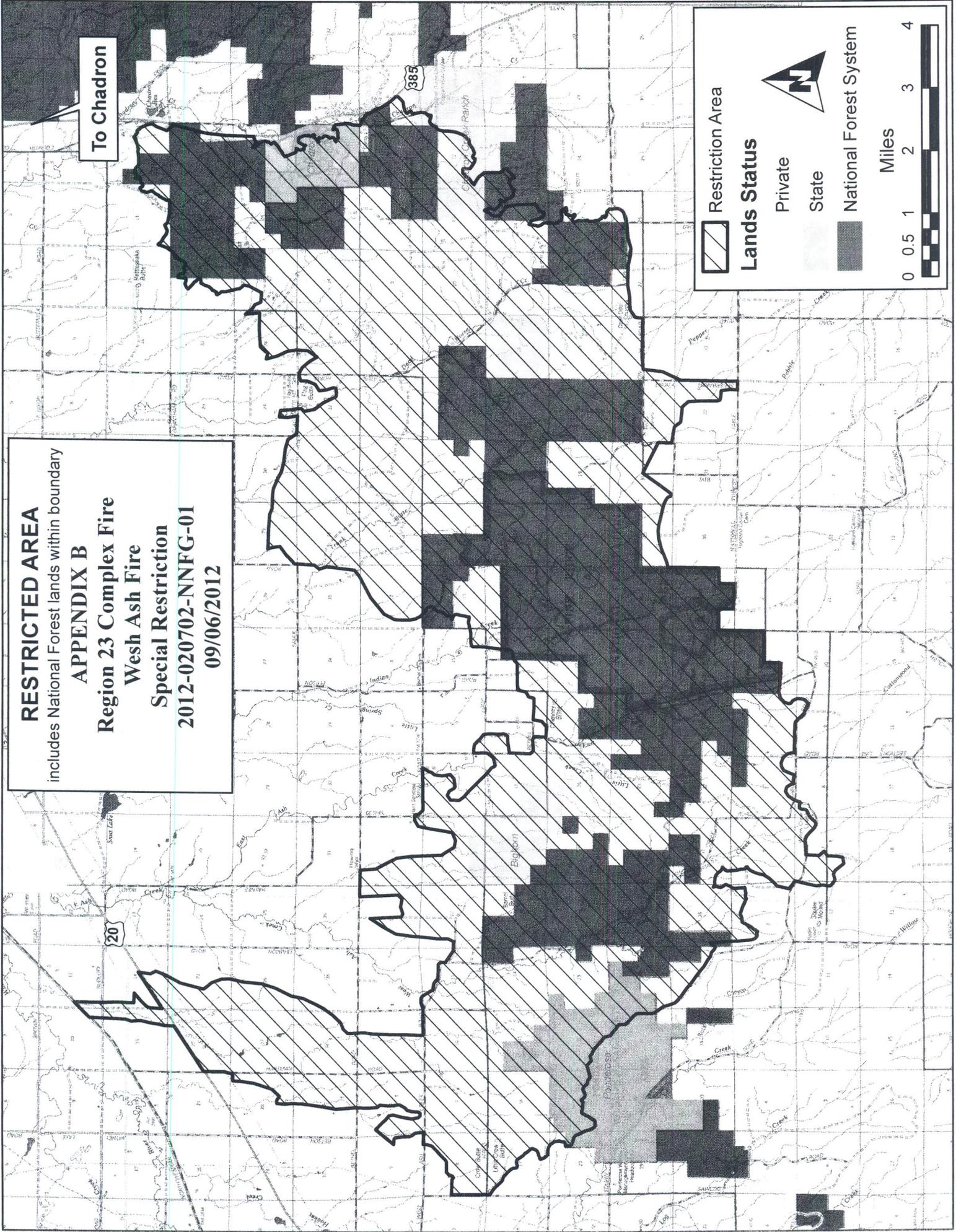
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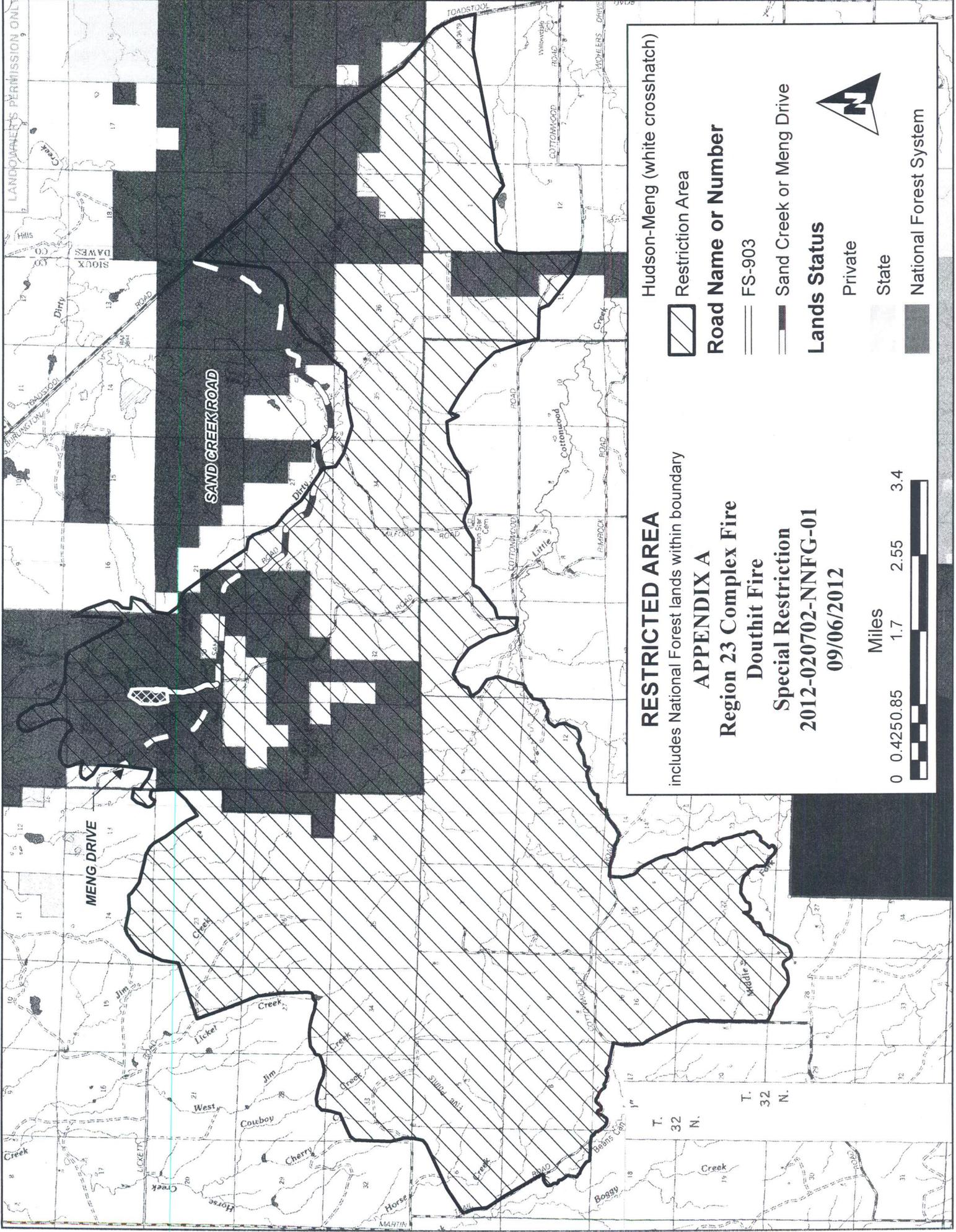
National Forest System



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-  Hudson-Meng (white crosshatch)
-  Restriction Area
- Road Name or Number**
-  FS-903
-  Sand Creek or Meng Drive
-  Private
-  State
-  National Forest System

