



Order No. 19-12-06
USDA Forest Service
Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit
Cave Rock Area Closure

Pursuant to 16 USC 551 and 36 CFR 261.50(a), and to protect an area of historical interest, the following act is prohibited within the Cave Rock Closure Area of the Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit. This Order is effective from November 5, 2012, through November 4, 2014.

1. Going into or being upon the Cave Rock Closure Area, as shown on Exhibit A and described in Exhibit B. 36 CFR 261.53(c).

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

Any Federal, State or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.

This prohibition is in addition to the general prohibitions contained in 36 CFR Part 261, Subpart A.

A violation of this prohibition is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000 for an individual or \$10,000 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than six months, or both. 16 USC 551 and 18 USC 3559, 3571, and 3581.

Executed in South Lake Tahoe, California, this 29th day of October, 2012.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Nancy J. Gibson", written over a horizontal line.

NANCY J. GIBSON
Forest Supervisor
Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit

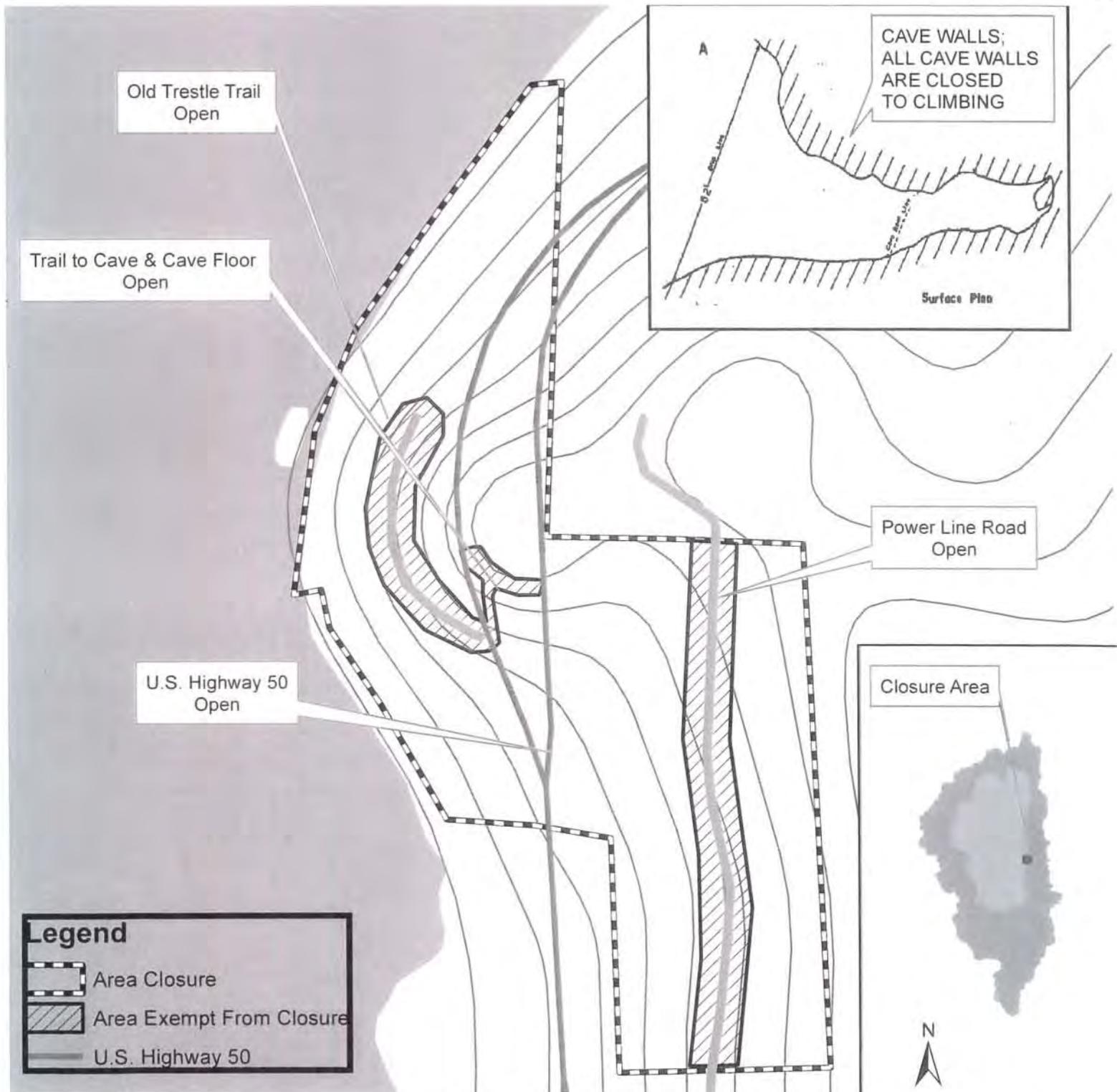


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Cave Rock Closure For Protection of Historical Area

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Exhibit A



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Glenbrook 7.5' USGS Quad Map
T14N. 18E. SW 1/4 Section 27

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Exhibit B

The Cave Rock Closure Area boundary begins at a point on the east shore of Lake Tahoe, 8 meters from the shoreline at the northern end of the Nevada State Park Boat Ramp property, then continues north 115 meters along the east side of the flat rocky shoreline (approximately 8 meters from the water's edge) to the point where the steep cliff face is adjacent to the shoreline, then continues west 8 meters to the water's edge, then continues north along the shoreline approximately 265 meters, then continues due east for approximately 40 meters, then continues due south for approximately 120 meters to the top of Cave Rock, then continues due east for approximately 148 meters, then continues due south for approximately 380 meters, then continues due west for approximately 90 meters, then continues due north for approximately 257 meters, then continues due west back to the starting point, as shown on Exhibit A. The Cave Rock Closure Area does not include the non-system roads and trails known as the Old Trestle Trail, trail to Cave Rock, and Power Line Road, as shown on Exhibit A.



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Date: October 29, 2012

Note to File:

Re: Cave Rock Closure Forest Order

Consistent with the Record of Decision (ROD) for Cave Rock Management Direction, signed August 5, 2003 by Forest Supervisor Maribeth Gustafson, I intend to issue a Forest Order to continue the closure of Cave Rock to the public. The ROD states:

This decision also covers implementation of several site specific project level actions associated with the management of Cave Rock. These actions include issuing a Forest Order to sign and provide for enforcement of the rock climbing closure at Cave Rock....

The Cave Rock ROD further states that “[n]o motorized vehicles will be allowed outside of the highway corridor.”

This order seeks to close to the public only those areas covered by the ROD where rock climbing could occur in the Cave Rock area. Specific areas where non-prohibited activities could occur (such as fishing and hiking) have been carved out or expressly exempted from the order. See Exhibit B and map at Exhibit A. Motor vehicle use on the exempted areas within the Cave Rock Closure Area is already prohibited by other laws, rules and regulations.

The Record of Decision for Cave Rock Management Direction supports this order. Since the ROD was signed, the decision has been upheld in the United States District Court for the District of Nevada (January 29, 2005) and by the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals (February 15, 2007), and these protections have been continually enforced through Forest Order #19-05-01 and Forest Order #19-08-01. No new information or changed circumstances relating to the environmental effects of the Cave Rock closure have arisen since the most recent Forest Order was issued on November 5, 2010.



NANCY J. GIBSON
Forest Supervisor

October 29, 2012

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