



**ORDER
USDA FOREST SERVICE
SANTA FE NATIONAL FOREST / VALLES CALDERA NATIONAL PRESERVE**

FOREST AND PRESERVE CLOSURE

Pursuant to **16 U.S.C. 551** and **36 CFR 261.50(a)**, the following acts are prohibited on all National Forest System lands within the Santa Fe National Forest and Valles Caldera National Preserve as described below in the following counties: Rio Arriba, Los Alamos, Sandoval, Santa Fe, San Miguel, and Mora, within the state of New Mexico. The "restricted area" is described below and depicted on the attached map, hereby incorporated into this Order as Exhibit A.

PROHIBITIONS

1. Going into or being upon the restricted area. **36 CFR § 261.52(e)**

EXEMPTIONS

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

1. Persons with a Forest Service letter or 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.
3. Residents in the area accessing private property via a restricted Forest Service road to the extent necessary to gain access to their property.

RESTRICTED AREA

The restricted area includes all National Forest System lands, roads and trails within the Santa Fe National Forest and Valles Caldera National Preserve within the following counties: Rio Arriba, Los Alamos, Sandoval, Santa Fe, San Miguel, and Mora, within the state of New Mexico (Exhibit A) except for:

- National Forest System Lands 100-feet from both sides of the Rio Chama Scenic River starting at the north end of the river at the Forest Boundary downstream to Christ of the Desert Monastery; between Forest Road 151 and the River downstream to Big Eddy; and from there Forest Road 151 only to Santa Fe National Forest Boundary.
- Valles Caldera Valle Grande Staging Area.

PURPOSE

This order is necessary to protect public health and safety due to extreme fire danger.

IMPLEMENTATION

1. This Order will be in effect at 8:00 a.m. on Monday, June 24, 2013, and shall remain in effect until December 31, 2013, or until rescinded, whichever event occurs first.
2. Violations of these regulations is punishable as a Class B misdemeanor, by a fine of not more than \$5000 for an individual or \$10,000 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than six (6) months or both; **16 USC § 551**, and **18 USC §§ 3559 and 3571**.
3. This Order supersedes, rescinds, and revokes Order numbers 10-383, 10-385 and is in addition to Regional Closure Order R03-001.

Done at Santa Fe, New Mexico this 21st day of June 2013.


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