

United States Forest Service
Apache National Forest

WILDERNESS & PRIMITIVE AREA PROHIBITIONS

Pursuant to 16 USC 551 and Title 36 CFR § 261.50 (a) and (b), the following acts and omissions are prohibited upon all National Forest System Land (NFSL) contained within Congressionally Designated Wilderness and the Blue Range Primitive Area as described in this Order, and as further depicted on the attached map hereby incorporated into this Order as Exhibit A (the "restricted area"), within the Apache National Forest, Apache and Greenlee Counties, Arizona:

PROHIBITIONS

Prohibitions in entire Congressionally Designated Wilderness and the Blue Range Primitive Area:

1. Storing equipment, personal property or supplies. 36 CFR § 261.57(f)
2. Disposing of debris, garbage, or other waste. 36 CFR § 261.57(g)
3. Possessing or using a wagon, cart or other vehicle. 36 CFR § 261.57(h)

Prohibitions in Escudilla and Bear Wallow Wilderness Areas, and the Blue Range Primitive Area:

1. Camping as a single party of more than twenty-five (25) persons is prohibited. 36 CFR § 261.58(f)
2. Hiking and horseback riding as a single party of more than twenty-five (25) persons and thirty-five (35) head of livestock is prohibited. 36 CFR § 261.58(f)

Prohibitions in Mount Baldy Wilderness Area:

1. Camping as a single party of more than six (6) persons is prohibited. 36 CFR § 261.58(f)
2. Hiking and horseback riding as a single party of more than twelve (12) persons and twelve (12) head of livestock is prohibited. 36 CFR § 261.58(f)

EXEMPTIONS

Pursuant to 36 CFR § 261.51(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 fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.

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AREA DESCRIBED

All National Forest System Lands (NFSL) located within the Congressionally Designated Mount Baldy Wilderness Area, Escudilla Wilderness Area, Bear Wallow Wilderness Area, and the Blue Range Primitive Area, as depicted on Exhibit A.

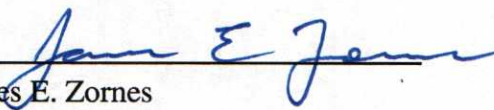
PURPOSE

The purpose of this Order is to preserve and protect Wilderness character and resource values within the Apache National Forest.

IMPLEMENTATION

1. This Order will go into effect promptly at 12:01 am on Monday, August 12, 2013 and will remain in full force and effect, unless otherwise rescinded, until 12:01 am on December 31, 2018.
2. This Order supersedes, rescinds, and replaces Order Nos. 01-385, 01-409, 01-418, 01-09-507, 01-10-507 and any other previous orders prohibiting the same acts covered by this Order.
3. Any violation of this prohibition 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 3885, Title 18 USC 3571, and Title 18 USC 3581].

Done at Springerville, Arizona this 12th day of August, 2013.


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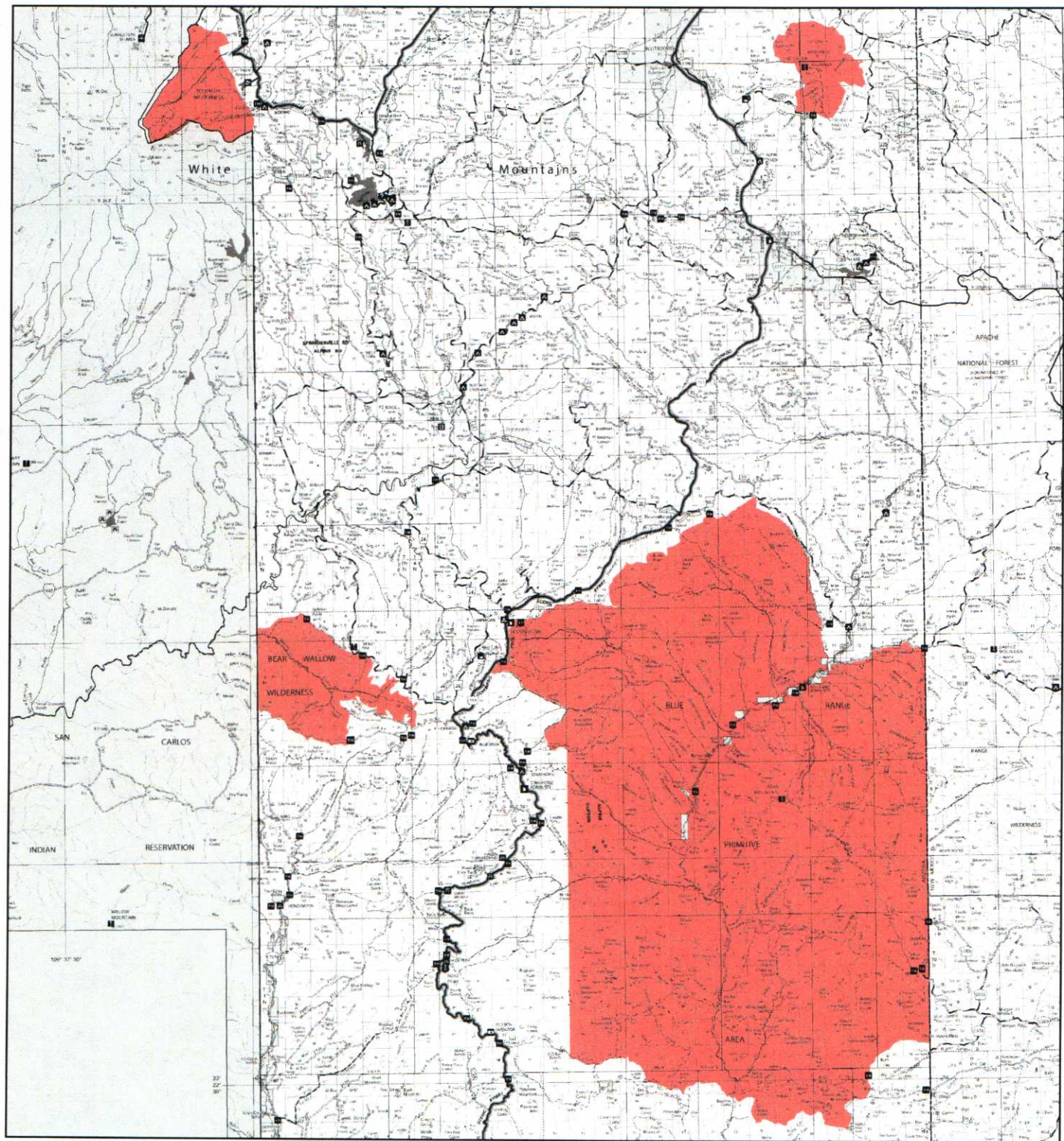
APACHE-SITGREAVES NATIONAL FORESTS

Springerville, Alpine and Clifton Ranger Districts

Wilderness and Primitive Area Prohibitions

Order Number: 01-13-551

Exhibit Number: A



Legend

- Closure Area
- Non-Forest Service Land



Map Scale = 1:350,000

