

Order Number: 01-13-555

**UNITED STATES FOREST SERVICE
APACHE-SITGREAVES NATIONAL FORESTS
BLACK MESA RANGER DISTRICT**

**WINTER MOTOR VEHICLE USE RESTRICTIONS ORDER
FOR PROTECTION OF MOTORIZED SNOW TRAIL SYSTEM**

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. 551 and 36 CFR 261.50 (b) the following acts are prohibited on the roads and trails as described in this order, and as depicted on the attached maps hereby incorporated into this Order as Exhibit A (the "restricted area"), within the Black Mesa Ranger District, Sitgreaves National Forest, Coconino County, Arizona.

PROHIBITIONS

In order to protect natural resources and provide for public health and safety, the following act is prohibited on the roads and trails as described in this order, all within Black Mesa Ranger District, Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests. The prohibitions contained in this Order are in effect annually from December 1 to April 15.

1. Using any wheeled motor vehicle on any National Forest System road or trail within the closure area, as shown on the attached map, 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 any organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.
3. Persons operating over-snow machines on snow (e.g. snow mobiles).

RESTRICTED AREA DESCRIBED

Beginning on NFSR300 from the steel gate approximately 1/8 mile north of State Highway 260 going immediately west to the edge of the Mogollon Rim which serves as the Tonto and Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests' boundary and following the Tonto and Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests' boundary in a northwesterly direction to the steel gate at the Coconino and Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests' boundary. From the steel gate at the Coconino and Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests'

boundary in a northerly direction along Lenard Canyon until the confluence of Lenard Canyon and Clear Creek Canyon. From the confluence of Lenard Canyon and Clear Creek Canyon in a northerly direction along the Coconino and Apache-Sitgreaves Forests' boundary to the confluence of Willow Creek. From the confluence of Clear Creek Canyon and Willow Creek in a southeasterly direction to the intersection of Clear Creek Canyon and NFSR63 to the intersection of NFSR 63 and NFSR34. From the intersection of NFSR 63 and NFSR34 south along NFSR 34 to the intersection with NFSR 100. From the intersection of NFSR34 and NFSR100 east along NFSR100 to the intersection with NFSR169. From the intersection of NFSR100 and NFSR169 north to the intersection with NFSR119. From the intersection of NFSR169 and NFSR119 east along NFSR119 to the intersection with NFSR180. From the intersection of NFSR119 and NFSR180 southwest along NFSR180 to the intersection with NFSR169. From the intersection of NFSR180 and NFSR169 west along NFSR169 to the intersection with NFSR300. From the intersection of NFSR169 and NFSR300 south along NFSR300 to the steel gate on NFSR300. See attached map.

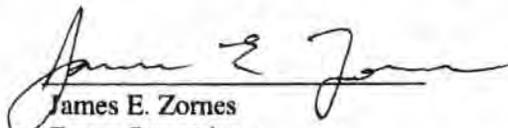
PURPOSE

The purpose of this order is to reduce the potential for mixed use of wheeled and over-snow vehicles on designated snow mobile trails for the protection of natural resources and public safety.

IMPLEMENTATION

1. This Order will be in effect on December 13, 2013 at 12:01 am and will be effective through April 15, 2014 unless rescinded.
2. A map identifying the closure area is attached and made part of this Order.
3. This Order supersedes any previous orders prohibiting the same acts covered by this Order.

Dated this 12th day of December, 2013, at Springerville, Arizona.


James E. Zornes
Forest Supervisor
Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests

Violation of this Order is punishable as a Class B misdemeanor by a fine of not more than \$5,000.00 for individuals and \$10,000.00 for organizations or imprisonment for not more than six (6) months, or both. [Title 16 USC 551, Title 18 USC 3885, Title 18 USC 3571, and Title 18 USC 3581].

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