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Gila National Forest 2025 Firewood Guide

Permit Cutting, Removing Instructions and Maps for January 2 — December 31, 2025

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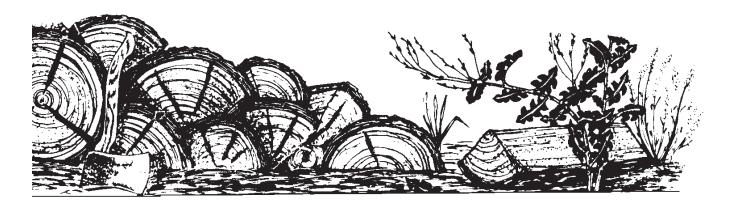
The permit is not transferable. By signing this permit, the permittee and designated cutter agree to the terms and conditions within this permit, including all applicable laws and regulations.

When cutting and transporting firewood on or from the Gila National Forest, permittees or their designated cutters must have in their possession:

- 1) This firewood guide with the cutting and removing instructions and maps;
- 2) The Original Forest Product Permit issued to the permittee; and
- 3) The firewood removal tags given with that permit.

This firewood permit is valid Forestwide (except in prohibited areas).

Live, green trees may be cut and removed only from within the designated green firewood cutting areas that are listed in this firewood guide.



Woodcutting Checklist

- Have Your Permit This includes the printed permit, cutting and removing instructions from the 2025 Firewood Guide, Designated Firewood Area Maps from the 2025 Firewood Guide (if cutting green firewood), and removal tags.
- MUST BE 18 YEARS OF AGE TO PURCHASE A PERMIT.
- Check road conditions and closures.
- Study the cutting area maps. Use National Forest Visitor Map and Motor Vehicle Use Map (MVUM) to ensure you travel on authorized motorized roads.
- Let someone know where you're going and when you'll be back.
- Recommend carrying a chain saw, an axe, wedges, shovel, fire extinguisher, and a first aid kit.
- Fill out "Product Quantity Removal Record" portion of the permit.
- Designated cutters may be under the age of 18.

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Firewood Cutting on the Gila National Forest

Welcome to the Gila National Forest. We hope you enjoy your wood gathering experience. Please contact the nearest district office if you have any questions about firewood.

- Information in this guide and permits detailed herein applies to forest lands within the Gila National Forest and the portion of the Apache National Forest in the state
 of New Mexico only, administered by the Quemado Ranger District and parts of Glenwood Ranger District, Gila National Forest.
- Firewood can only be cut during daylight hours. The officialdailysunrisetoof ficial sunset per National Weather Service.
- To cut or transport wood from the Gila National Forest, you must have original printed permit, the Dead and/or Green Firewood Cutting Tags and Removing Instructions from this 2025 firewoodguide, the Green Firewood Area Maps from this 2025 firewood guide if cutting green firewood, and removal tags that have been properly completed (see directions for removal tags on page 5 & 7 of this guide). Without ALL of these, you are illegally taking firewoodwhich can result in the loss of your permit, loss of any wood you have cut, up to a \$5,000 fine, and 6 months in jail.
- The Gila National Forest has published its Motor Vehicle Use Map (MVUM) which triggers the implementation of the travel management plan. The travel management plan designates a system of roads, trails, and areas open to the public for motor vehicle use authorized for off road travel. All permit holders are responsible for adhering to the MVUM and any directions for motorized uses provided in the Firewood guide.
- Follow all travel management rules. During wet and muddy conditions, please wait to cut on another day when roads are drier. Firewood gathering may occur along open motor vehicle use designated roads. Motor vehicles may be parked one vehicle length, including any towed trailer, from the edge of the road surface when it is safe to do so without causing damage to NFS resources or facilities, unless prohibited by state law, a trafficsign, or an order (36 CFR 261.54).

- All firewood areas are in natural forest terrain with no modifications for accessibility. Make sure that you know your limits and work within your abilities. Firewood cutting can be fun, but it is also hard work. Be sure that you and your equipment are in good working condition.
- The firewood season on the Gila National Forest is from January 2 through December 31. Specific areas may have limited Seasons.
- In order to sustain healthy, vibrant natural lands for all people to enjoy, every person who ventures outside should put Leave No Trace practices into action. Leave No Trace is about making good decisions to protect the world around you. Please dispose of waste properly, travel on durable surfaces, respect wildlife, avoid introducing or transporting non-native species, and be considerate of others.
- It is also important to preserve the past. Historic structures and artifacts can be examined and photographed, but you must leave what you find. Multiple laws and directions govern the management of cultural resources. These include, but are not limited to: Antiquities Act of 1906; National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (NHPA); National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA); Archaeological Resources Protection Act of 1979 (ARPA); and Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act of 1990 (NAGPRA). Those who violate can face substantial fines and even a jail sentence if convicted. Do your part to pass our nation's heritage of outdoor recreation to future generations.

Cutting and Removing Instructions

When cutting or transporting dead firewood on or from the Gila National Forest, permittees or their designated cutters must have in their possession these Cutting and Removing Instructions along with the original Forest Product Permit for Firewood issued to the permittee and the firewood removal tags given with that permit. These instructions are incorporated as an integral part of Firewood Permits issued on the Gila National Forest (refer to Pg. 7 "Filling in Your Permit & Load Tag).

This Firewood Permit is valid Forestwide (except in prohibited areas). These cutting and Removing Instructions for Firewood Areas are a required part of your permit.

- The product designation species listed on the firewood permit will be "Combined Softwood" for soft species of wood (juniper, pine, pinyon, douglas-fir) and "Combined Hardwood" (oak, walnut, cottonwood) for hard species of wood.
- A dead tree is defined as one having no live branches, limbs, needles or leaves.
- You may not cut dead limbs from live trees.
- For collection of dead/down trees. Dead/ down are any trees that are on the ground and have fallen naturally. Or have been approved by the district.
- Load removal tags sufficient for the amount
 of wood on the vehicle must be attached
 to the rear of the load prior to removal of
 firewood from the cutting site. These tags
 must have the date of removal clipped/
 notched into the tag. Load removal tag
 numbers must match the numbers printed
 on the permit. Individual load removal tags
 may not be used more than once.
- Unless specified differently in the designated areas stumps shall be cut as low to the ground as is practical, and in no case higher than 12 inches. Portions of wood that have been cut and not used (slash) shall be cut and scattered to no more than 24 inches high off the ground. Remove slash from roads, fences, and other improvements.
- Do not cut any logs, log piles, or snags in active timber sale areas or where posted with signs.
- Trees or logs marked with paint or tagged as wildlife trees, bearing trees, or with transect location signs shall not be cut.
- No felling of trees on road, or impeding of traffic is allowed on any paved road U.S. or New Mexico state highway.

- To protect wildlife species and riparian habitat, do not cut within 100 feet of the centerline of any live flowing stream.
- Firewood cutting and removing is prohibited in any area posted as closed, in commercial fuelwood areas and in the following areas, whether posted or not:
 - ⇔On the Black Range Ranger District, the following areas are closed to cutting and removing of firewood: Emory Pass Overlook, Kingston Campground, Beaverhead Administrative Area, Kingston Administrative Areas (as signed on fence line), Monument Park Cabin Administrative Area, Straight Gulch Administrative Area, Wolf Hollow Campground and Trailhead, Lookout Mountain Tower, Hillsboro Peak Tower, Black Mountain Tower, Gila Wilderness and Aldo Leopold Wilderness.
 - ⇒On the Glenwood Ranger District, the following areas are closed to cutting and removing of firewood: Bighorn, Cosmic and Pueblo Park Campgrounds, Cottonwood, and Whitewater Picnic Area, Leopold Vista Day Use and Catwalk National Recreation Trail, Glenwood District Administrative Areas, Gila Wilderness, and Blue Range Wilderness.
 - ⇒On the Quemado Ranger District, the following areas are closed to cutting and removal of firewood: Armijo Springs, Head of the Ditch, Valle Tio Vinces Campgrounds, Quemado Lake Recreation Area (El Caso, Juniper, and Pinyon Campgrounds), Quemado District Office, Luna Work Center, Jewett Gap Administrative site and the Swenson Place.
 - ⇔On the Reserve Ranger District, the following areas are closed to cutting and removing of firewood: Ben Lilly, Dipping Vat, Willow Creek, Aeroplane Mesa, Snow Lake, Apache Creek Campgrounds, South Fork Campgrounds, Gwynn Tank Campground, Reserve District Administrative Areas, and Negrito Work Center Administrative Area.
 - ⇒On the Silver City Ranger District, the following areas are closed to cutting and removing of firewood: Cherry Creek, Gallinas, Iron Creek, McMillan, and Railroad Campgrounds, Little Walnut and Wrights Cabin Picnic Areas, Little Walnut Group Use Area, Gila River Bird Area, and Fort Bayard Refuge.

- ⇒On the Wilderness Ranger District, the following areas are closed to cutting and removing of firewood: All Campgrounds, (Upper and Lower Scorpion, Upper Black Canyon, Lower Black Canyon, Rocky Canyon, Mesa, Upper End, Sapillo Group Area Campgrounds) Lake Roberts Picnic Area, Gila Wilderness, Aldo Leopold Wilderness, Wilderness District Administrative Sites, Gila Cliff Dwellings National Monument, Gila Visitor Center and Administrative Areas, TJ Ruins, and NM State Hwy. 15 corridor (approximately 1/2 mile of non-wilderness designated areas on either side of Hwy. 15 from the junction with Hwy. 35 north to the Gila Visitor Center).
- Permit holders may employ or enlist 1 person other than themselves to harvest firewood. The permit holder must write on the permit in the designated area and contact the district where purchased, the name of the person designated to cut for them.
- Operate only when ground is dry enough to prevent rutting greater than 3 inches in depth.
 Do not drive on roads when damage to soil or roads may occur.
- No cutting is permitted on slopes of 30% or greater.
- Vehicles and power saws are subject to inspection by forest officers. Failure to allow inspections shall be cause to cancel the permit. All power saw mufflers shall be operable and equipped with an approved spark arrester with a screen size no larger than 0.023 inch. All vehicles shall be equipped with approved mufflers or spark arresters.
- Bad weather, fire closures, or court-imposed injunctions are not grounds for permit refunds or extension of permits.

This Firewood Permit is valid outside designated firewood areas (except in prohibited areas) and authorizes

- Cutting and removing of dead/down trees.
- Cutting and removing all dead standing species with the exception of oak and Ponderosa Pine.
- Cutting and removing dead standing ponderosa pine and other conifers less than 12 inches diameter root crown (DRC).
- Dead standing oak and Aspen with peeling or no bark up to 9 inches diameter root crown (DRC) may be cut only from June 1 to September 30.

- Live trees may only be cut and removed from the Gila National Forest in certain designated firewood areas.
- Off-road vehicle travel permitted in dispersed camping corridors as depicted in Motor Vehicle Use Map and in certain designated firewood areas (see specific areas).

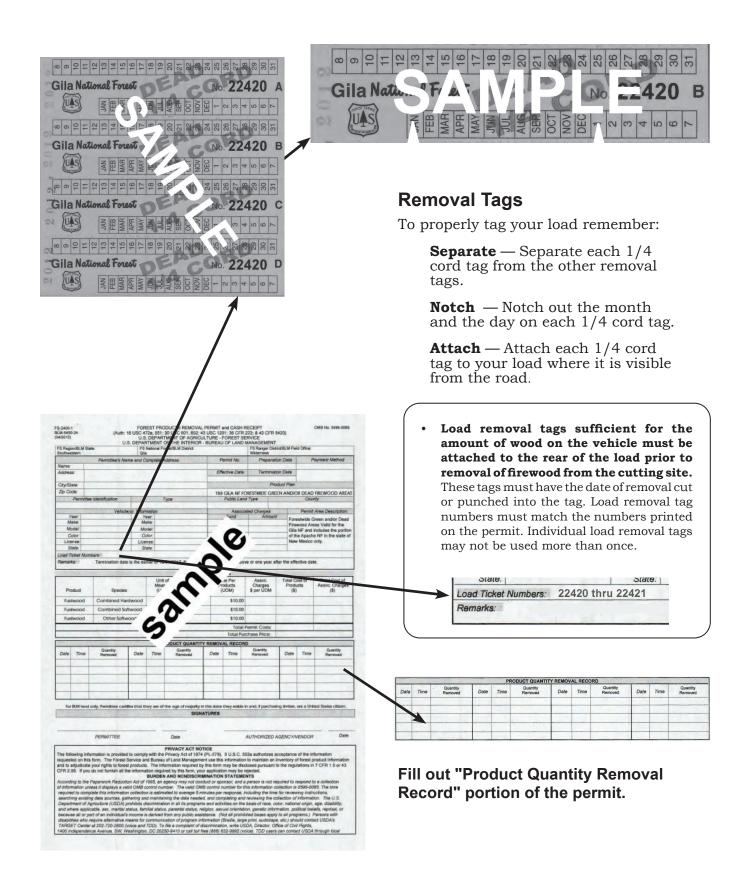
This Firewood Permit is also valid for the Corduroy Canyon, Trujillo Park Tierra Blanca, Booth, Divide, Luna, Cold Springs, Martinez, Roadside, Aragon, Telephone, Six Shooter Black Deer, Georgetown, North Star, Cedar Breaks, Deep Creek and Snare Mesa designated firewood areas.

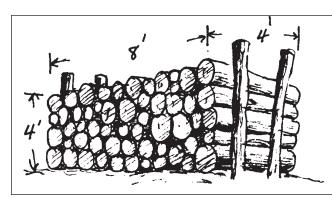
Instructions specific to the designated firewood areas for species and size of live or dead wood available for cutting and removal is given by each designated area under **Available Wood** beginning on page 11 in this guide. Additional instructions within designated firewood areas are:

- Live trees can only be cut and removed from within certain designated firewood cutting areas that are listed in this guide.
- It is the permittee's responsibility to ensure that the live trees are cut and removed from within the designated firewood cutting areas listed in this guide.
- It is the permittee's responsibility to be sure that any live or dead trees cut are the correct species and size.
- During the fire season, usually from April 1 through September 30, time and/ or cutting restrictions may be imposed on this permit. Between these dates, it is the permittee's responsibility to become informed of predicted fire danger and restrictions. It is suggested that the permittee contact the appropriate district office for current information. A general description of the applicable fire precaution schedule follows:

Fire Precaution Schedule		
Posted Fire Danger	Action Description	
Low to Moderate	Normal fire precautions	
High, Very High, and Extreme	Contact district prior to cutting for possible area closures and permit restrictions.	

Filling In Your Permit and Load Tag





How Much Wood in a Cord?

Dimensions:

One cord = 8 feet long x 4 feet wide x 4 feet deep.

Volume in Cubic Feet:
One cord = 128 cubic feet =
8 feet (length) x 4 feet (width) x 4 feet (height).

How Much Wood Do I Have?

You've been cutting most of the day, and your truck or trailer is now loaded with firewood. So, how much wood do you actually have? Here are some guidelines to help you get the amount of wood you paid for.

A 1/4-ton small pickup truck will hold 1/4 cord of wood when the load is piled up above the bed of the truck.

A 1/2-ton pickup with a short bed, or a step-side bed, will also hold 1/4 cord of wood when it is loaded to the top of the bed. All of these loads would require one 1/4- cord tag separated, notched, and attached to the load.

On average, a full bed pickup truck holds 1/2 cord of firewood when it is filled to the top of the bed. This load would require two 1/4-cord tags separated, notched, and attached to the load.

A full bed truck with rails will hold 1 cord of wood when it is loaded level with the roof of the truck from the cab to the tailgate. This load would require four 1/4-cord tags separated, notched, and attached to the load.

Diameter or Circumference?

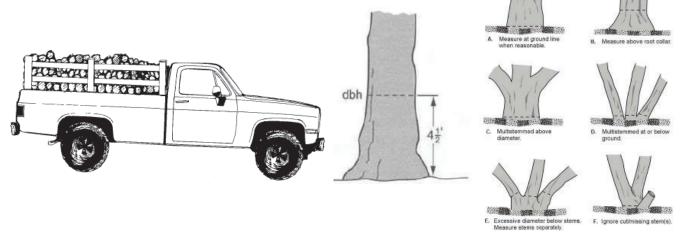
Diameter is the distance across the end of the log. Circumference is the distance around the log. To measure a tree before it is cut, you will need to measure its circumference.

Here are conversions from diameter to circumference:

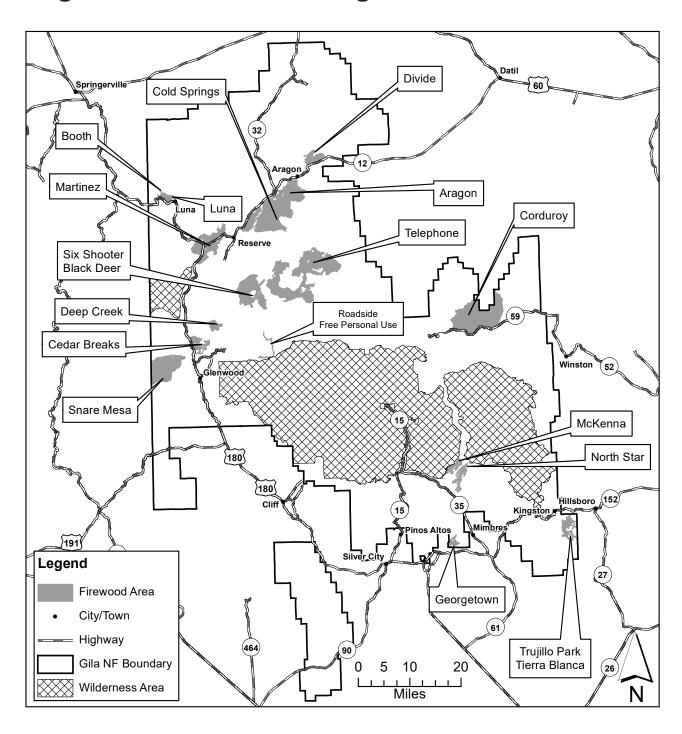
6 inches diameter = 1 foot, 6 inch circumference 8 inches diameter = 2 foot, 1 inch circumference 9 inches diameter = 2 feet, 4 inch circumference 10 inches diameter = 2 feet, 7 inch circumference 12 inches diameter = 3 feet, 1 inch circumference 16 inches diameter = 4 feet, 2 inch circumference

Measuring the Diameter Root Crown (DRC) & Diameter Breast Height (DBH)

Diameter Root Crown (DRC) is measured between the ground line and 12 inches above the ground line. Diameter Breast Height (DBH) is diameter at 4.5 feet from the ground.

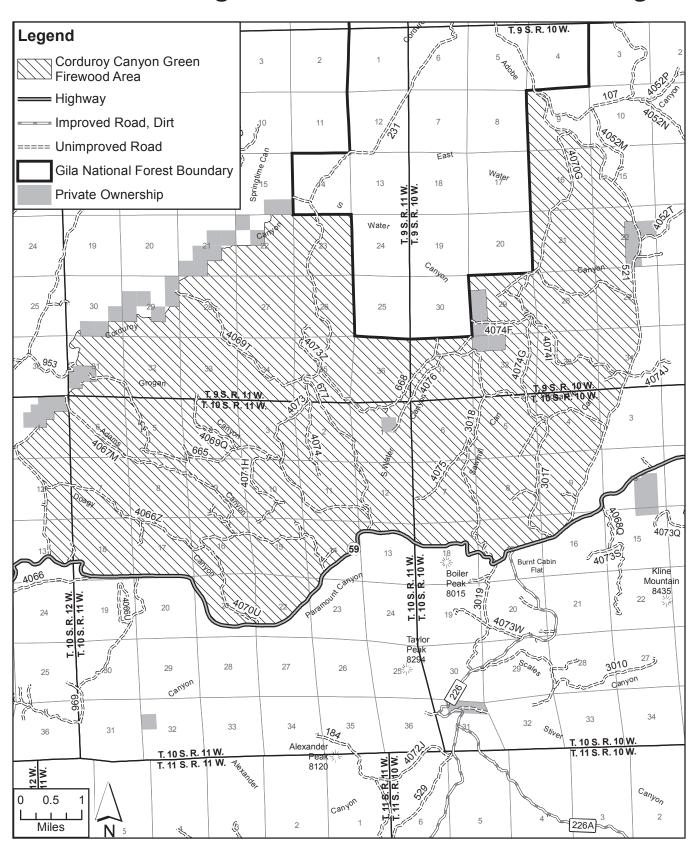


Gila National Forest Designated Firewood Cutting Areas



Black Range Ranger District Firewood Cutting Area

Corduroy Canyon



Corduroy Canyon Firewood Area Black Range Ranger District

Cross country travel within this firewood area is prohibited.

Travel Directions and Area Boundaries

The area is accessed from the south by turning off of NM Highway 59 onto Forest Roads (FR) 231 or 521. All roads entering the private land north of the firewood area have locked gates.

The area is bordered on the south by NM Highway 59; on the east by FS 521; on the west by FS 231; and on the north by private land (Adobe Ranch).

The boundary of the firewood area is not painted.

The firewood area is posted with firewood boundary signs at the following locations: the intersection of NM Highway 59 and FS 521; the intersection of FS 231 and NM Highway 59; and the intersection of NM Highway 59 and FS 677.

Available Wood

Live pinyon pine and juniper trees up to 12 inches in diameter root crown (DRC) and dead standing or dead/down trees as specified in this guide may be cut.

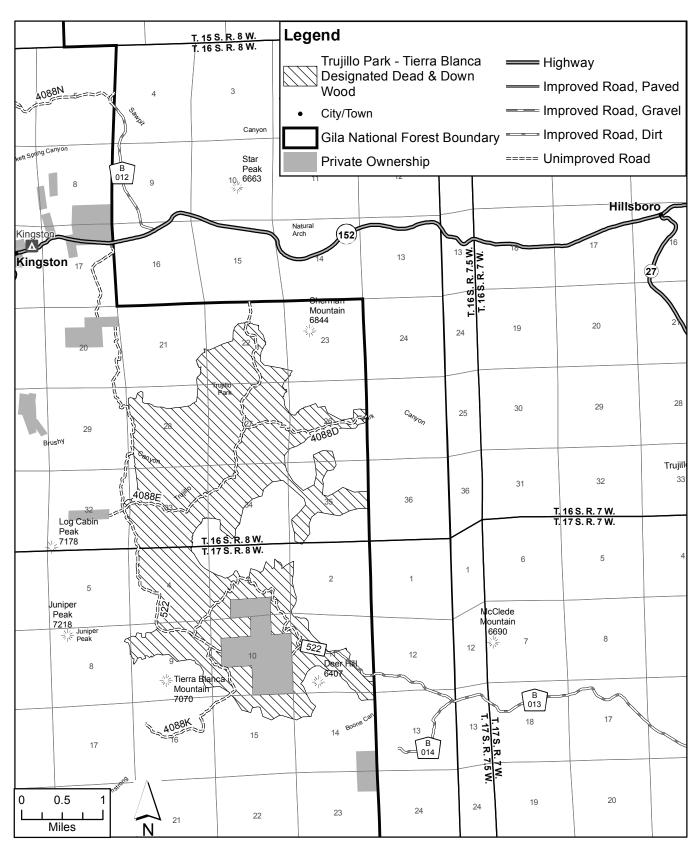
Do not cut live Douglas-fir, oak, or western white pine.

Leave trees are not marked.

It is the permittee's responsibility to be sure that any live, green trees cut are the correct species and 12 inches DRC or less.



Black Range Ranger District Trujillo Park-Tierra Blanca Firewood Area



Trujillo Park-Tierra Blanca Firewood Area Black Range Ranger District

Cross country travel within this firewood area is permitted for the purpose of firewood cutting.

Travel Directions and Area Boundaries

The area is currently only accessed from the east on County Road B-013 to Forest Road 522.

The boundary of the firewood area is not marked or painted; adhere to the enclosed map.

Available Wood

Remove dead and down oak, juniper and pinyon trees lying on the ground in thinning and cutting areas.

Do not cut any live trees or standing dead trees.

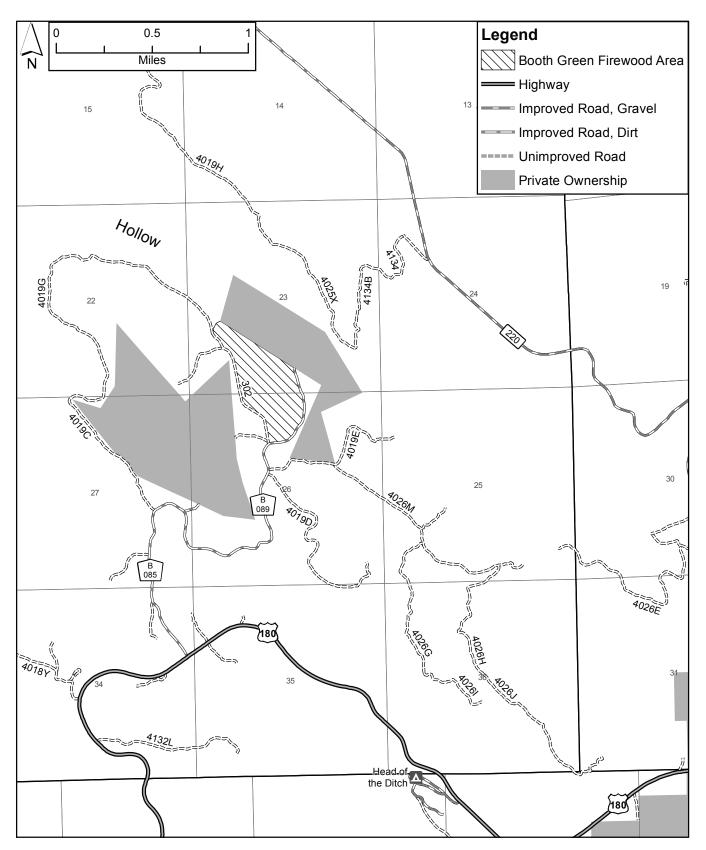
Specific leave trees are marked with orange paint; do not cut them.

Cut stems and branches (slash) to lie within 2 feet of the ground.

Motorized vehicle use for gathering firewood is permitted off of open roads except on steep slopes.

For more information contact the Black Range Ranger District.

Booth Firewood Area Quemado Ranger District



Booth Firewood Area Quemado Ranger District

Cross country travel within this firewood area is permitted for the purpose of firewood cutting.

Travel Directions and Area Boundaries

From Luna: Head west on Hwy-180 to County Road B-085 (Double J Ranch Road). From County Road B-085 continue onto County Road B-089 (Booth Hollow Creek Road). The fuelwood area begins at the junction of County Road B089 and Forest Road (FR) 302.

The exterior boundary of the firewood area is not painted. A series of roads and private land boundary are used to distinguish the boundary of the firewood area. The southern and eastern boundary is mad e up of county road B089. The boundary continues along the private land boundary to the north up to FR 302. FR 302 makes up the western boundary

All roads within the designated area are allowed for use in collecting personal use products with a personal use permit. Travel off road for gathering of personal use products is authorized in the area shown on the map.

Available Wood

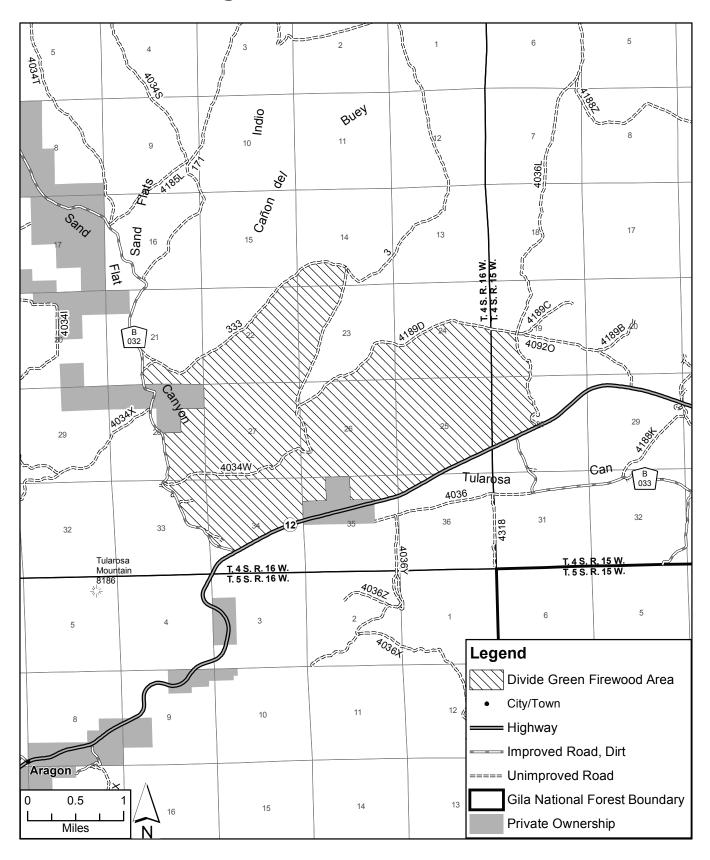
* It is illegal to cut any other species or sizes of wood not listed below.

Dates Available	Species and sizes available
January 2 – December 31	Any dead wood on the ground
	 Any dead standing species, except ponderosa pine, pinyon pine, and oak Dead standing ponderosa pine less than 18 inches DRC
	Dead standing pinyon pine less than 10 inches DRC
June 1 – September 30	• Dead standing oak less than 9 inches DRC

Slash Treatment

Quemado Ranger District Firewood Cutting Area

Divide



Divide Firewood Area Quemado Ranger District

Cross country travel within this firewood area is permitted for the purpose of firewood cutting.

Travel Directions and Area Boundaries

The area is accessed from Apache Creek, NM, by traveling about 9 miles east on NM Highway 12 to Catron County Road B032 (Sand Flat turnoff). The area is located north of NM Highway 12 and Catron Country Road B032.

The area is accessed from Horse Springs, NM, by traveling about 15 miles west on NM Highway to Forest Road (FR) 4036L. Take FR 4036L north, the area is located north of NM Highway 12 and west of FR 4036L.

The area of 4,860 acres is bounded by a combination of Forest Service Roads, State Roads, and Catron County Roads. The south is bounded by NM Highway 12 excluding private property. The west is bounded by Catron County road B032. The north boundary is bounded by FR 333, FR 4189D, and 4092O. The east boundary is bounded by FR 4036L.

Available Wood

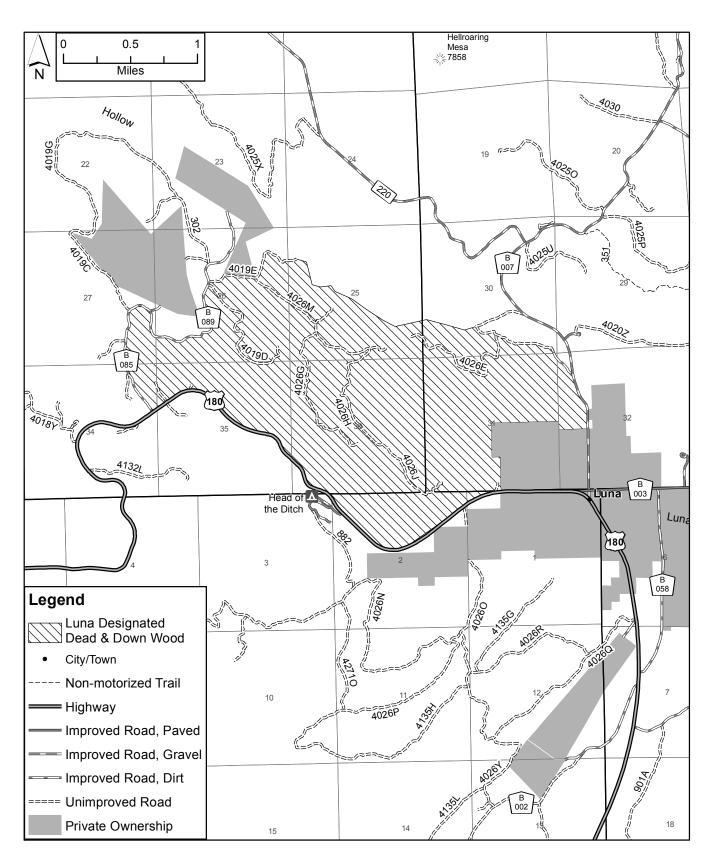
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Dates Available	Species and sizes available
January 2 – December 31	 Live juniper less than 12 inches DRC Live pinyon pine less than 12 inches DRC Any dead wood on the ground Any dead standing juniper Dead standing ponderosa pine, pinyon pine or fir less than 12 inches DRC

Slash Treatment

Quemado Ranger District Luna Firewood Area

Luna



Luna Firewood Area Quemado Ranger District

Cross country travel within this firewood area is permitted for the purpose of firewood cutting.

Travel Directions and Area Boundaries

From Luna: Head west on Hwy-180 once you have left the private property in Luna the fuelwood area is on the north side of Hwy-180. There are several roads in the area that will provide access to the interior of the firewood area (See Map).

The exterior boundary of the firewood area is not painted. A series of roads, drainages and other natural features are used to distinguish the boundary of the firewood area. The southern boundary follows US Highway 180. The boundary continues to the intersection of US Highway 180 and County Road B-085 (Double J Ranch Road). The western boundary follows County Road B-085 (Double Ranch Road) and B-089 (Booth Hollow Creek Road) to FR 4019E. The northern boundary is FR 4019E to the end, down the slope to Dillman Creek, Downstream on Dillman Creek to FR 4026M. Easterly along FR 4026M to its intersection with FR 4026D, easterly on FR 4026D to County road B-007 (Bill Knight Gap Road). The eastern boundary is County road B-007 (Bill Knight Gap Road) south to the private land in Luna and following the private land in Luna to the west and south back to US Highway 180. Travel off road for firewood gathering is authorized in the area shown on the firewood map.

All roads within the designated area are allowed for use in collecting personal use products with a personal use permit. Travel off road for gathering of personal use products is authorized in the area shown on the map.

Available Wood

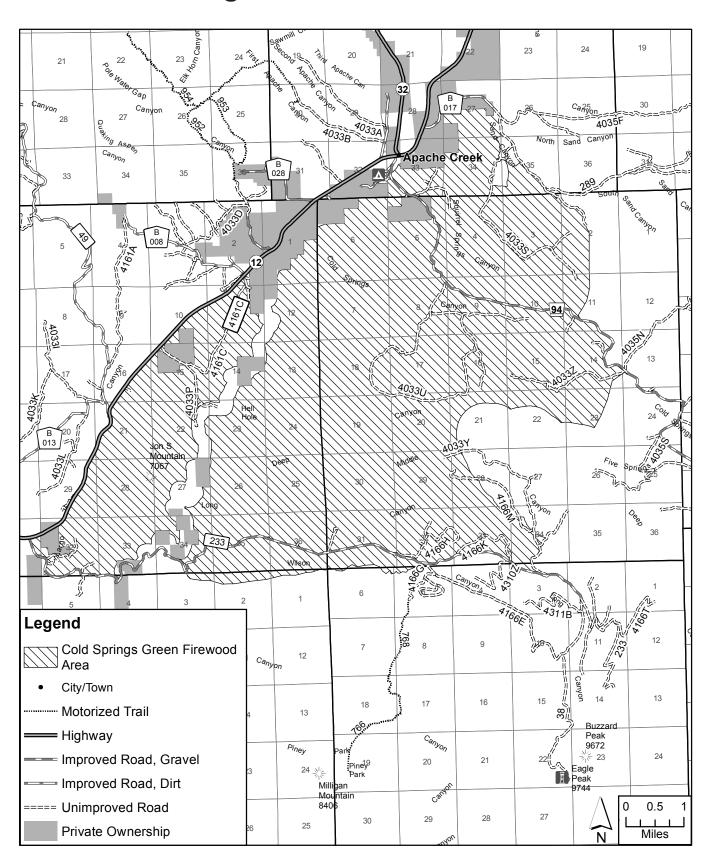
* It is illegal to cut any other species or sizes of wood not listed below.

Dates Available	Species and sizes available
January 2 – December 31	 Any dead wood on the ground Any dead standing species, except ponderosa pine, pinyon pine, and oak Dead standing ponderosa pine less than 18 inches DRC Dead standing pinyon pine less than 10 inches DRC
June 1 – September 30	Dead standing oak less than 9 inches DRC

Slash Treatment

Reserve Ranger District Firewood Cutting Area

Cold Springs



Cold Springs Firewood Area Reserve Ranger District

Cross country travel within this firewood area is permitted for the purpose of firewood cutting.

Travel Directions and Area Boundaries

The area is accessed by turning off of NM Highway 12 about 2 miles northeast of Reserve, NM, onto Forest System (FR) Road 233 or by turning off of NM Highway 12 near Apache Creek, NM, onto either FR 94 or FR 289. There are several roads in the area that provide access to the interior of the firewood area.

NM Highway 12 is the southwest to northwest boundary of the area. The northeastern boundary is FR 289 to FR 4035 to the junction of FR 94. The boundary continues along FR 94 for about 2 miles where it crosses Deep Canyon and continues cross country to FR 233. FR Road 233 and Wilson Canyon form the boundary on the southeast side.

All roads within the designated area are allowed for use in collecting personal use products with a personal use permit. Travel off road for gathering of personal use products is authorized in the area shown on the map.

No cutting is allowed on parcels of private land within the area.

No cutting is allowed within 600 feet of the Tularosa River.



Figure 1 Gray Oak



Figure 2 Gamble Oak

Available Wood

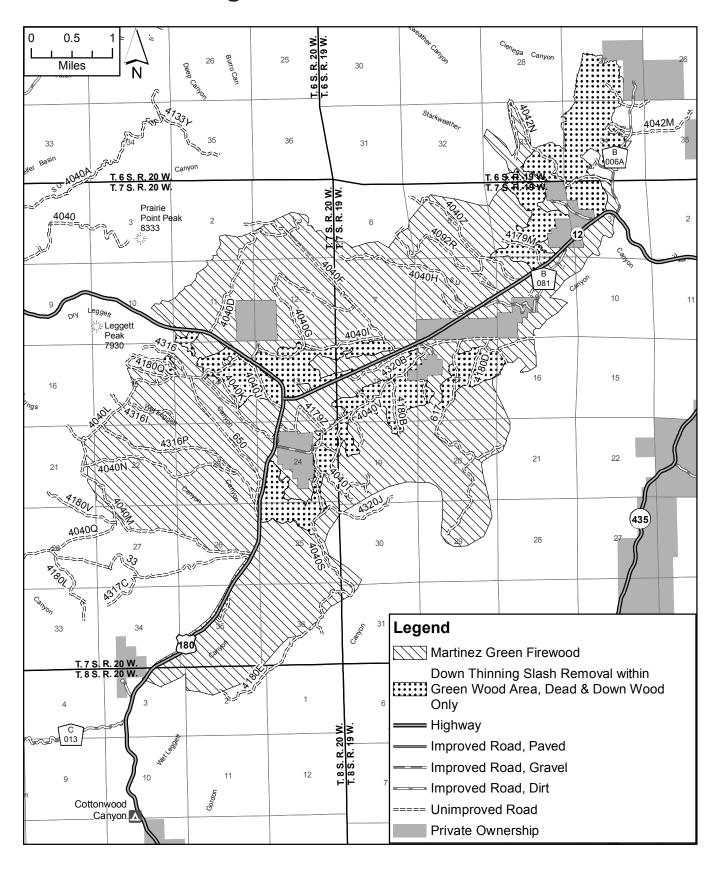
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Dates Available	Species and sizes	
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January 2 – December 31	• Live single stem juniper less than 12 inches DRC	
	Live multiple stem juniper less than 18 inches DRC	
	• Live pinyon pine less than 9 inches DBH	
	• Live ponderosa pine less than 12 inches DBH	
	Any dead wood on the ground	
	Any dead standing juniper	
	Dead standing ponderosa pine or pinyon less than 12 inches DRC	
June 1 – September 30	Live single stemmed gray oak less than 6 inches DRC	
	Live multiple stemmed gray oak less than 10 inches DRC	
	Dead standing oak less than 9 inches DRC	

Slash Treatment

Reserve Ranger District Firewood Cutting Area

Martinez



Martinez Firewood Area Reserve Ranger District

Cross country travel within this firewood area is permitted for the purpose of firewood cutting.

Travel Directions and Area Boundaries

The area is accessed from Reserve, NM, by traveling about 1.7 miles west on NM Highway 12; from Luna, NM, by traveling about 11.5 miles south on US Highway 180; and from Alma, NM, by traveling about 21.6 miles north on US Highway 180. There are several roads in the area that provide access to the interior of the firewood area (see map). A firewood area sign will indicate when you are entering the cutting area.

The exterior boundary of the firewood area is not painted. The ridgeline to the north and east of Gordon Canyon is the boundary to the south; CAT -B006 and FS Road 4042N (Mail Trail) is the boundary to the west/ northwest; and the boundary to the east is FS Road 33 and FS Road 4040M (lower Leggett loop) Designated Project Thinning Slash area boundaries are painted in orange paint.

All roads within the designated area are allowed for use in collecting personal use products with a personal use permit. Travel off road for gathering of personal use products is authorized in the area shown on the map.

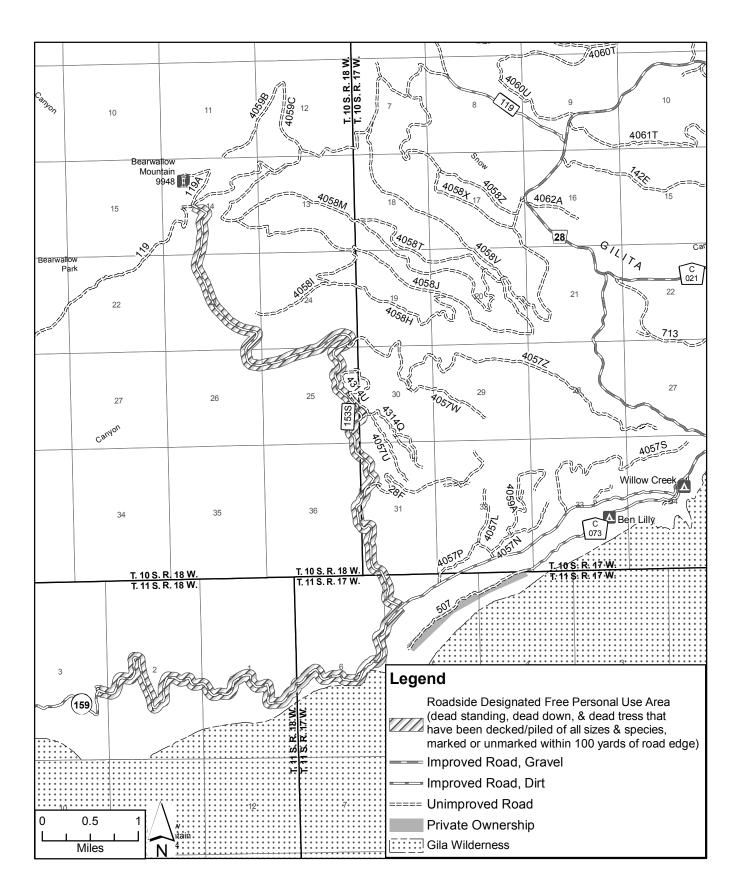
Available Wood Outside of Designated Project Thinning Slash Area

* It is illegal to cut any other species or sizes of wood not listed below.

Dates Available	Outside Designated Project Thinning Area	Within the Designated Project Thinning Slash Area
January 2 – December 31	Live single stem juniper less than 12 inches DRC Live multiple stem juniper less than 18 inches DRC Live pinyon pine less than 18 inches DRC Live ponderosa pine less than 12 inches DRC Any dead wood on the ground Any dead standing juniper Dead standing ponderosa pine or pinyon less than 12 inches DRC	 Any dead wood on the ground including fresh project thinning slash Any dead standing juniper Dead standing ponderosa pine up to 18 inches DBH
June 1 – September 30	Dead standing oak less than inches DRC	• Dead standing oak less than 9 inches DRC

Slash Treatment

Roadside Designated Free Personal Use Area



Roadside Designated Free Personal Use Area

Cross country travel within this firewood area is permitted for the purpose of firewood cutting.

Travel Directions and Area Boundaries

The area is accessed from Reserve, NM, by traveling about 22 miles on Forest Road (FR) 141 to FR 28 (Bursum Road) and then about 7 miles to the area; and from Glenwood, NM, by traveling about 14 miles on NM Highway159 (Bursum Road) to the area. A high clearance vehicle may be needed to access the area from Glenwood on NM Highway159. This access way is seasonally closed. Contact the highway department for road closure information (see map). A firewood area sign will indicate when you are entering the cutting area.

The exterior boundary of the area is not painted. Cutting and removal is authorized for 100 yards on either side of FR road 153S beginning at the intersection of FR road 119 (Claremont Road) and ending at the intersection of NM Highway159 (Bursum Road; and for 100 yards on either side of NM Highway 159 (Bursum Road) beginning at the intersection of FR road 153S and ending at Sandy Point (trails 182 and 201).

This area burned in the 2012 Whitewater-Baldy wildfire. Wood gatherers are advised to use caution while collecting and traveling through areas with standing dead trees especially if there is any wind present. Fire damaged trees can fall at any time. Be cautious while in the area, especially if there is any wind present.

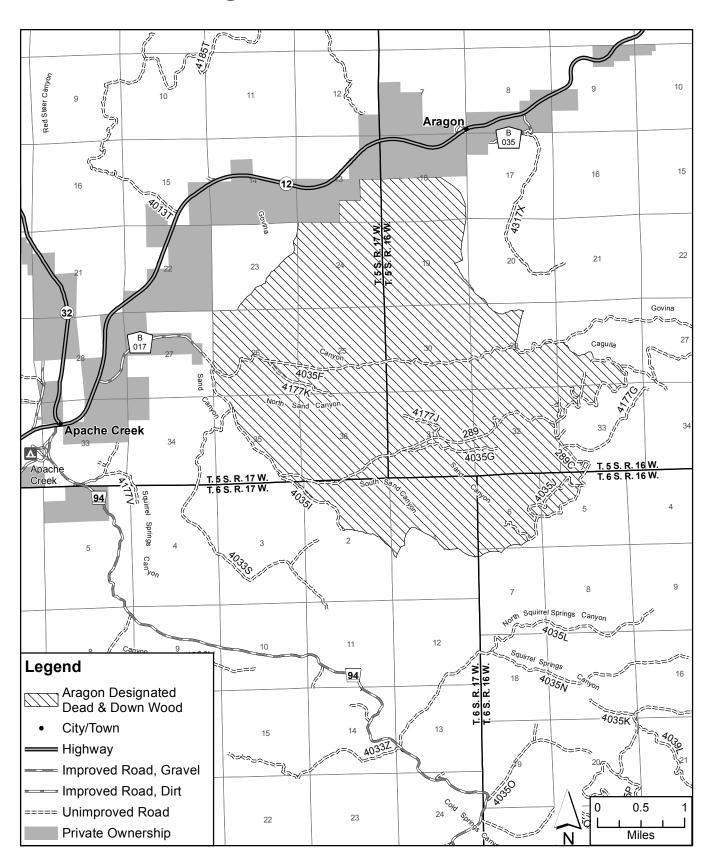
Available Wood

Any species or size of dead standing wood (such as but not limited to aspen, cottonwood, white pine fir, spruce, oak, ponderosa pine, pinyon pine, juniper), dead wood lying on the ground, and dead wood in decks or piles is authorized with either a paid dead firewood or free use permit in areas designated on the map. This includes both painted and unpainted dead trees.

Do not cut any live trees.

Reserve Ranger District Firewood Cutting Area

Aragon



Aragon Firewood Area Reserve Ranger District

Cross country travel within this firewood area is permitted for the purpose of firewood cutting.

Travel Directions and Area Boundaries

From Reserve: Head north on Hwy-12 to County Road B-017. From County Road B-017 continue onto Forest Road (FR) 289. The fuelwood area begins at the junction of FR 289 and FR 4035F. There are several roads in the area that will provide access to the interior of the firewood area (See Map). A firewood area sign will indicate when you are entering the cutting area.

The exterior boundary of the firewood area is not painted. A series of roads, drainages and other natural features are used to distinguish the boundary of the firewood area. The southern boundary follows FR 289 to FR 4035I. The boundary continues from the end of FR 4035I to South Sand Canyon drainage to FR 289C. The eastern boundary follows FR 289C to FR 289 to FR 4177A and down to FR 4035F. The north eastern boundary is the drainage to the Private Property south of Highway 12. The western boundary is comprised of FR 4178F following the drainage and the north eastern edge of Section 26. Travel off road for firewood gathering is authorized in the area shown on the firewood map.

All roads within the designated area are allowed for use in collecting personal use products with a personal use permit. Travel off road for gathering of personal use products is authorized in the area shown on the map.

Available Wood

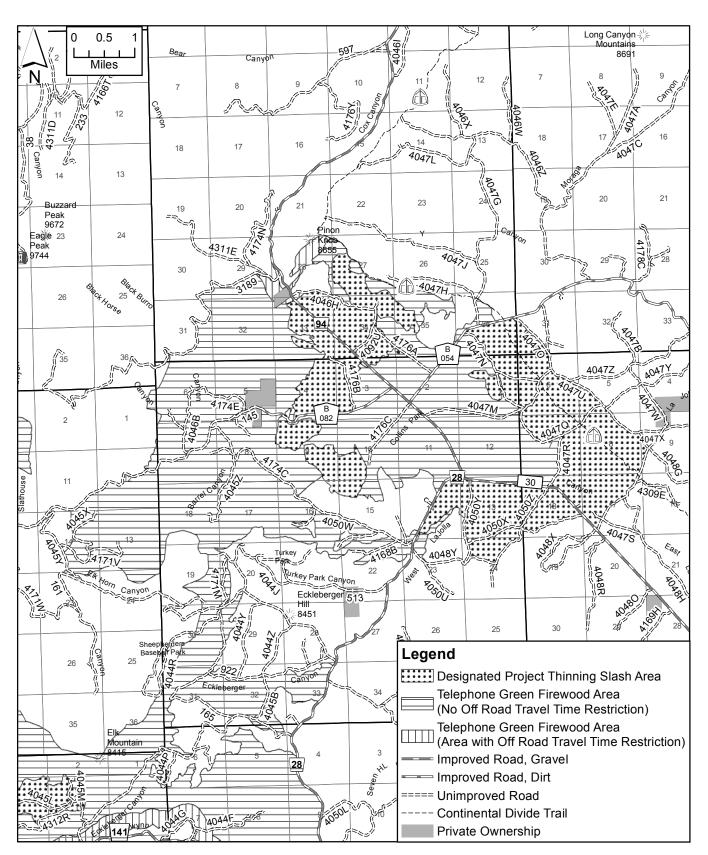
* It is illegal to cut any other species or sizes of wood not listed below.

Dates Available	Species and sizes available	
January 2 – December 31	 Any dead wood on the ground Any dead standing juniper. Dead standing ponderosa pine or pinyon pine less than 14 inches DRC 	
June 1 – September 30	Dead standing oak less than 9 inches DRC	

Slash Treatment

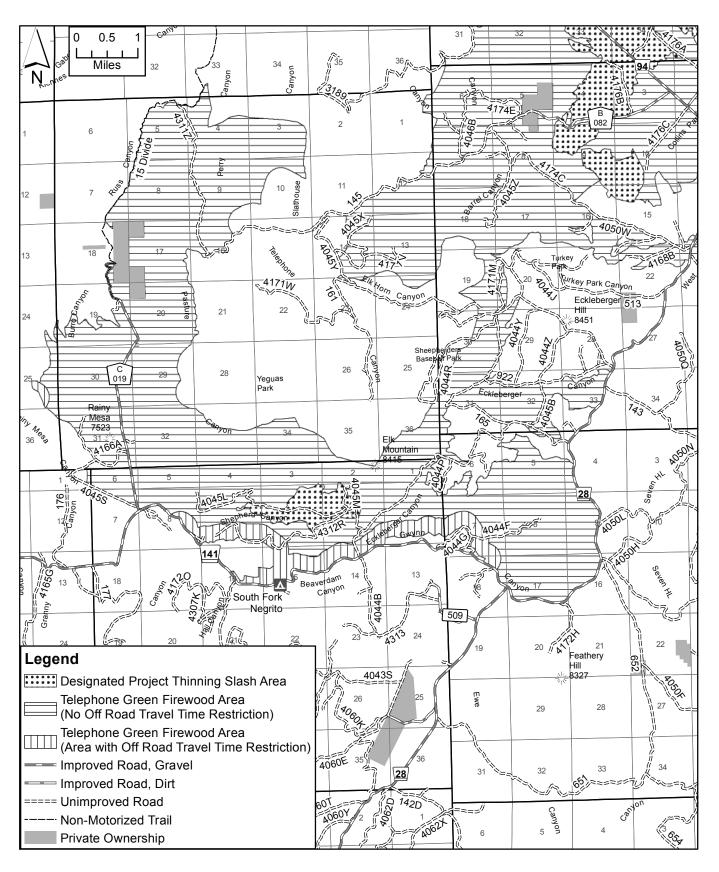
Reserve Ranger District Firewood Cutting Area

Telephone (East Side Map)



Reserve Ranger District Firewood Cutting Area

Telephone (West Side Map)



Telephone Firewood Area Reserve Ranger District

Cross country travel within this firewood area is permitted for the purpose of firewood cutting.

Travel Directions and Area Boundaries

From Reserve: Head south on Hwy 435 for 5.2 miles. Continue onto Forest Road 141 for 21.9 Miles to County Road 019. At County Road 019 you will be at the southwestern most boundary of the fuelwood area.

From Apache Creek: From NM Highway 12 take Forest Road 94. Take Forest Road 94 for 20.8 miles to the fuelwood area boundary.

From Datil: Take NM Highway 12 West for 34.2 miles to County Road B-019 (Bursum Rd). Continue South on County Road B-019 for 15.3 miles to County Road B-054. Take B-054 West for 11.9 miles and you will reach the fuelwood boundary at the junction of County Road-B054 and FR 4047O.

There are several roads in the area that will provide access to the interior of the firewood area (See Map).

The entire exterior boundary of the firewood area is not painted. A series of roads, trails, fences, drainages and other natural features are used to distinguish the boundary of the firewood area. The following roads form the boundary of the western most firewood area: FRs 4045S, 4166A, Decom 4166A, 178, CAT-C019, FR 4166C, Trail 15, part of Salthouse Canyon, FR 145, part of Pasture Canyon, 4312K, 4044U, 165, 4045D, 4045B, 28, and 141 as shown on the map. The following roads form the boundary of the eastern firewood area: FR 4048Y, 30, 4047U, 4047O, CAT-B054, Continental Divide Trail (CDT), 3189, 4046A, 145, part of 4045Y and 161. The boundary to the south of Collins Park and West of FR 28 has a coinciding boundary with timber sales and is marked with orange paint.

All roads within the designated area are allowed for use in collecting personal use products with a personal use permit. Travel off road for gathering of personal use products is authorized in this area as shown on the map.

Available Wood

* It is illegal to cut any other species or sizes of wood not listed below.

		Within the
Dates Available	Outside Designated Project Thinning Area	Designated Project Thinning Slash Area
January 2 – December 31	 Live single stem juniper less than 18 inches DRC Live multiple stem juniper less than 24 inches DRC Live pinyon pine, ponderosa pine, and fir less than 12 inches DRC Any dead wood on the ground Any dead standing juniper Dead standing ponderosa pine, fir or pinyon less than 14 inches DRC 	 Any dead wood on the ground including fresh project thinning slash Any dead standing juniper Dead standing ponderosa pine, fir or pinyon less than 14 inches DRC
June 1 – September 30	 Live single stemmed gray oak less than 6 inches DRC Live multiple stemmed gray oak less than 12 inches DRC Dead standing oak less than 9 inches DRC 	• Dead standing oak less than 9 inches DRC

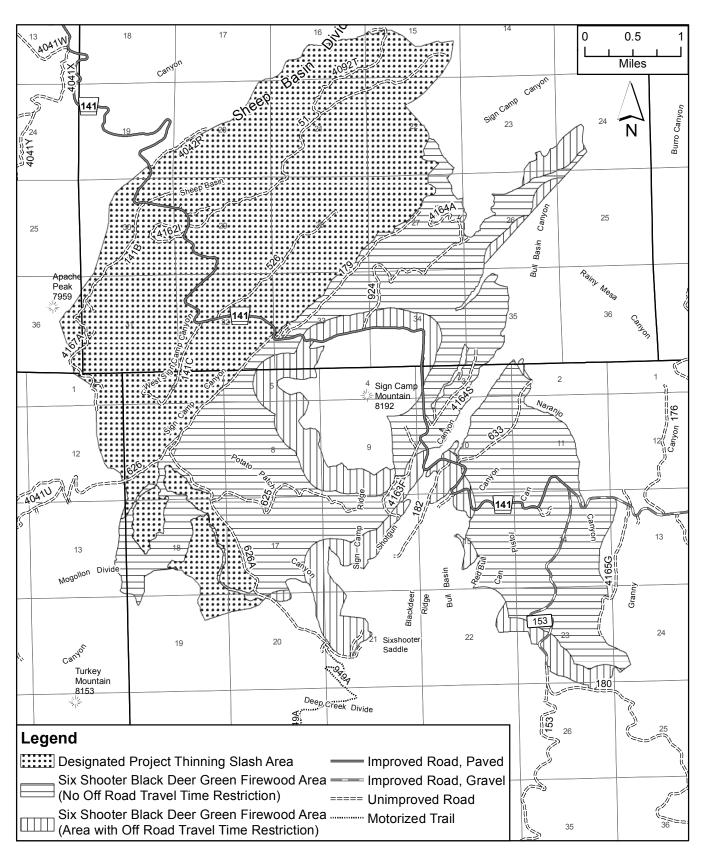
Off road travel timing restriction

From March 1 – August 31 off road travel is prohibited in the timing restricted areas as indicated on the map.

Slash Treatment

Reserve Ranger District Firewood Cutting Area

Six Shooter Black Deer



Six Shooter Black Deer Firewood Area Reserve Ranger District

Cross country travel within this firewood area is permitted for the purpose of firewood cutting.

Travel Directions and Area Boundaries

From Reserve: Head South on NM Highway 435 for 5.2 miles. Continue onto Forest Road (FR) 141 for 8.6 miles to the fuelwood area boundary. There are several roads in the area that will provide access to the interior of the firewood area (See Map). A firewood area sign will indicate when you are entering the cutting area.

The entire exterior boundary of the firewood area is not painted. A series of roads, fences, drainages, timber sale boundaries and other natural features are used to distinguish the boundary of the firewood area. The northern boundary is the fence line headed North East from FR 141. The boundary will separate from the fence at the end of 4092T and proceed along the ridgetops as shown on the map. The north east most boundary will follow the timber sale unit near Olla Tank and back along FR 4164C. It proceeds along the road to the fence line heading South east back to a timber sale boundary. Near FR 633 the boundary will follow Naranjo Canyon south to FR 141. The boundary will continue to the south between Naranjo and Granny canyon following the ridge and portion of FR 4165G back to the canyon bottom. The southern boundary on the west side of Sign Camp Mountain will be a combination of FR 4174X headed south towards Greyback Tank and timber sale boundaries that are marked with orange paint. The western most boundary follows the District Boundary fence line across FR161 to FR141.

All roads within the designated area are allowed for use in collecting personal use products with a personal use permit. Travel off road for gathering of personal use products is authorized in this area as shown on the map.

Available Wood

* It is illegal to cut any other species or sizes of wood not listed below.

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Dates Available	Outside Designated Project Thinning Area	Within the Designated Project Thinning Slash Area
January 2 – December 31	Live single stem juniper less than 18 inches DRC Live multiple stem juniper less than 24 inches DRC Live pinyon pine, ponderosa pine, and fir less than 12 inches DRC Any dead wood on the ground Any dead standing juniper Dead standing ponderosa pine, fir or pinyon less than 14 inches DRC	Any dead wood on the ground including fresh project thinning slash Any dead standing juniper Dead standing ponderosa pine, fir or pinyon less than 14 inches DRC
June 1 – September 30	 Live single stemmed gray oak less than 6 inches DRC Live multiple stemmed gray oak less than 12 inches DRC Dead standing oak less than 9 inches DRC 	Dead standing oak less than 9 inches DRC

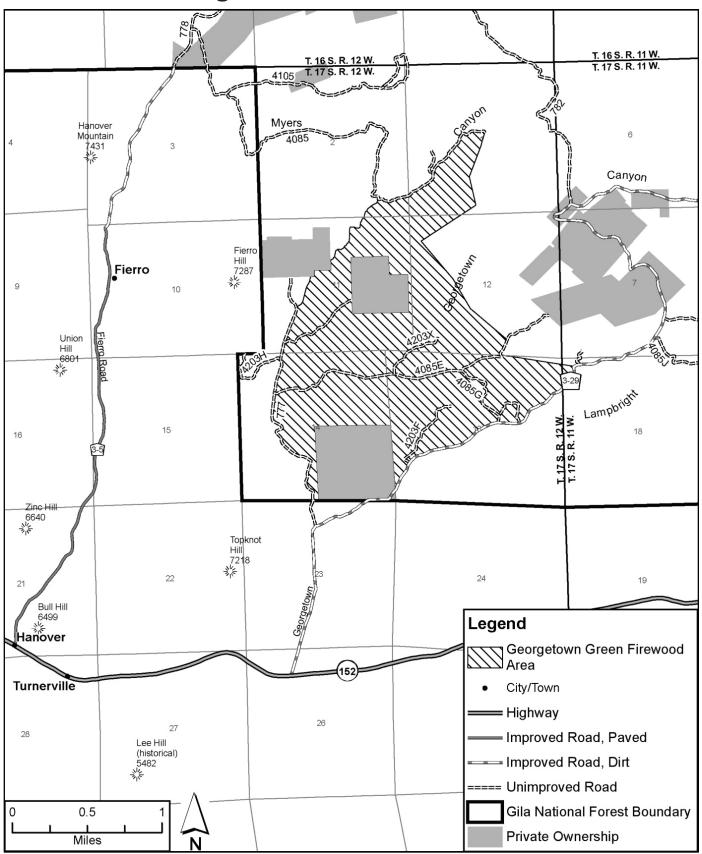
Off road travel timing restriction

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Slash Treatment

Silver City Ranger District Firewood Cutting Area

Georgetown



Georgetown Firewood Area Silver City Ranger District

Cross country travel within this firewood area is permitted for the purpose of firewood cutting

Travel Directions and Area Boundaries

The area is accessed from NM Highway 152, approximately 2 miles East of Hanover turn North onto County Road G 3-29 (Georgetown Rd). The West boundary is the Forest boundary.

The South boundary is the Forest boundary, the private property boundary and Grant County Road G 3-29 (Georgetown Road).

The east boundary is Forest Service Road 4085 G.

The North boundary is Forest Road (FR) 4085 E, FR 777, and FR 4203 H.

The area boundaries are marked with orange paint. A high clearance, 4-wheel drive vehicle is recommended for traveling off road.

The area is not accessible during wet muddy conditions.

All roads within the designated area are allowed for use in collecting firewood with a firewood permit.

Travel off road for gathering firewood is only authorized in this area as shown on map.

Available Wood

Live pinyon pine and juniper trees up to 12 inches diameter at root collar (DRC).

Any species or size of dead wood lying on the ground.

Standing dead trees or dead & down trees as specified in this guide.

Do not cut green ponderosa pine, or oak trees.

Do not cut any trees marked in orange paint, regardless of size or species. These are wildlife habitat patches and travel corridors.

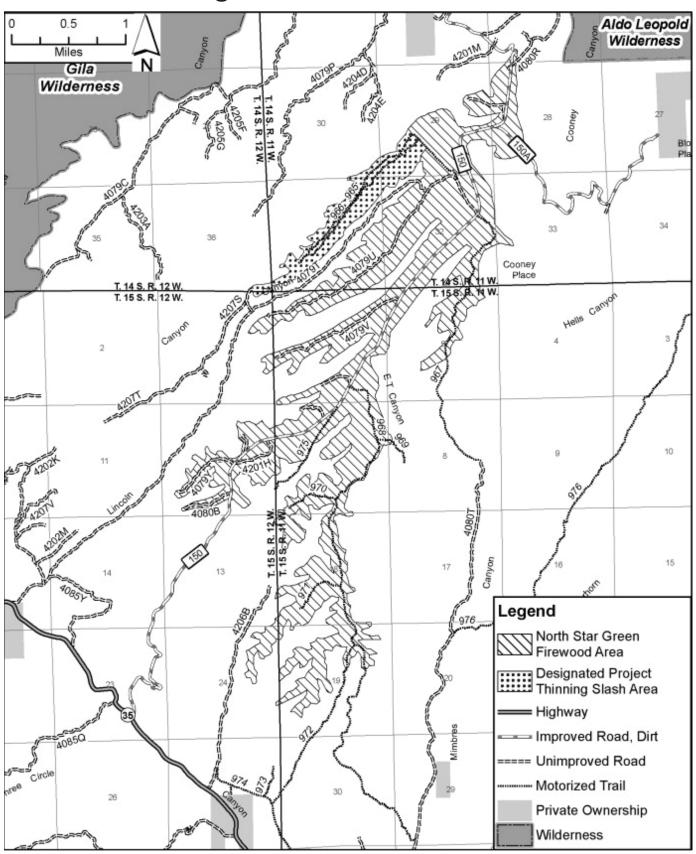
It is the permit holder's responsibility to be sure that any trees cut are the correct species and size. It is the permit holder's responsibility to be sure that they are cutting within the unit.

Cut stems and branches to lie less than 1 foot off the ground.

Cut stumps to within 6 inches of the ground.

Wilderness Ranger District Firewood Cutting Area

North Star



North Star Firewood Area Wilderness Ranger District

Cross country travel and the use of closed roads and motorized trails are permitted in this firewood area for the purpose of firewood cutting.

Travel Directions and Area Boundaries

The area is accessed from NM Highway 35 about 5 miles northwest of the Wilderness District Ranger Station. Turn east onto Forest Road (FR) 150, also known as North Star or Wall Lake Road.

The area consists of the mesa tops on either side of FR 150 and the mesa tops on either side of motorized trail 968 (formerly FR 4080D) to North Star Tank.

The south boundary is FR 4080 B and the ridge east of FR 4080 B.

The north boundary is approximately 200 yards north of FR 4080 R.

The area boundaries are not marked.

A high clearance, preferably four-wheel drive vehicle is recommended in traveling off FR150.

The area is not accessible during wet muddy conditions.

Available Wood

Live junipers with one stem with a DBH (diameter at breast height) of 12 inches or less.

Live Junipers with multiple stems where no individual stem exceeds 12 inches at DBH.

Live Pinyons with a DBH of 12 inches or less.

Dead and down of any species and any size.

Dead standing juniper of any size.

Dead standing pinyon with a DBH of 12 inches or less.

Dead standing oak with a DRC (diameter at root collar) of 9 inches or less, from June 1 to September 30.

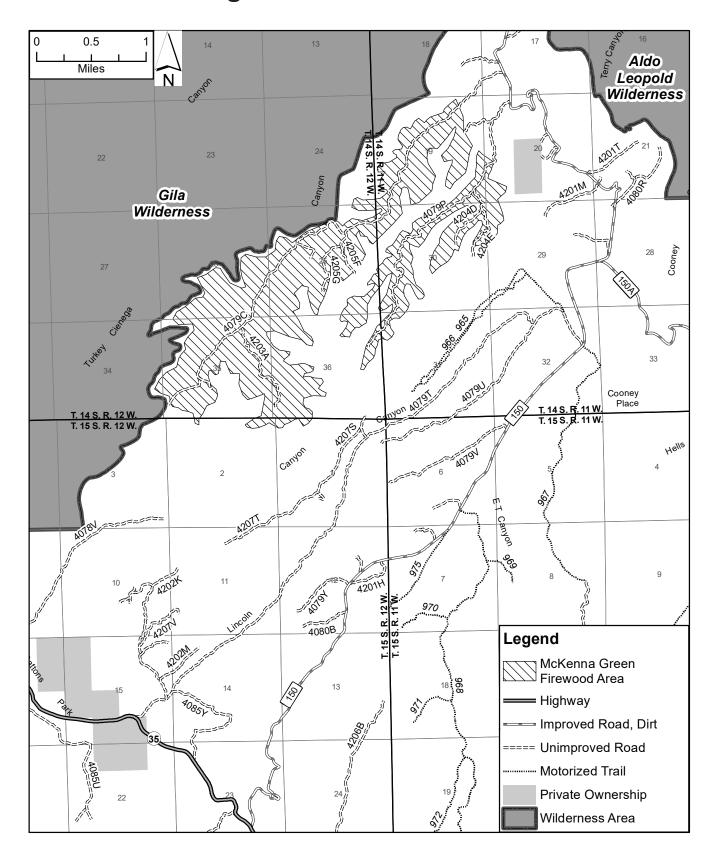
Cut stems and branches to lie less than 2 feet off the ground.

Cut stumps to no more than 6 inches above the ground.

It is the permit holder's responsibility to be sure that they are cutting within the unit and cutting firewood of the correct size and species.

Wilderness Ranger District Firewood Cutting Area

McKenna Mesa



McKenna Mesa Firewood Area Wilderness Ranger District

Cross country travel and the use of closed roads and motorized trails are permitted in this firewood area for the purpose of firewood cutting.

Travel Directions and Area Boundaries

The area is accessed from NM Highway 35 about 5 miles northwest of the Wilderness District Ranger Station. Turn east onto Forest Road (FR) 150, also known as North Star or Wall Lake Road. Proceed approximately 12 miles to the Junction of FR 150 and FR 4079P or FR 4079C.

The area consists of the mesa tops on either side of FRs 4079P and 4079C and side roads and trail off of them.

The area boundaries are not marked.

A high clearance, preferably four-wheel drive vehicle is recommended in traveling off FR 150.

The area is not accessible during wet muddy conditions.

Available Wood

Dead and down of any species and any size: Approximately 1,800 acres of dead and down pinyon and juniper.

Dead and down juniper of any size.

Dead standing pinyon pine with a DRC of 12 inches or less.

Dead standing oak with DRC of 9 inches or less, from June 1 to September 30.

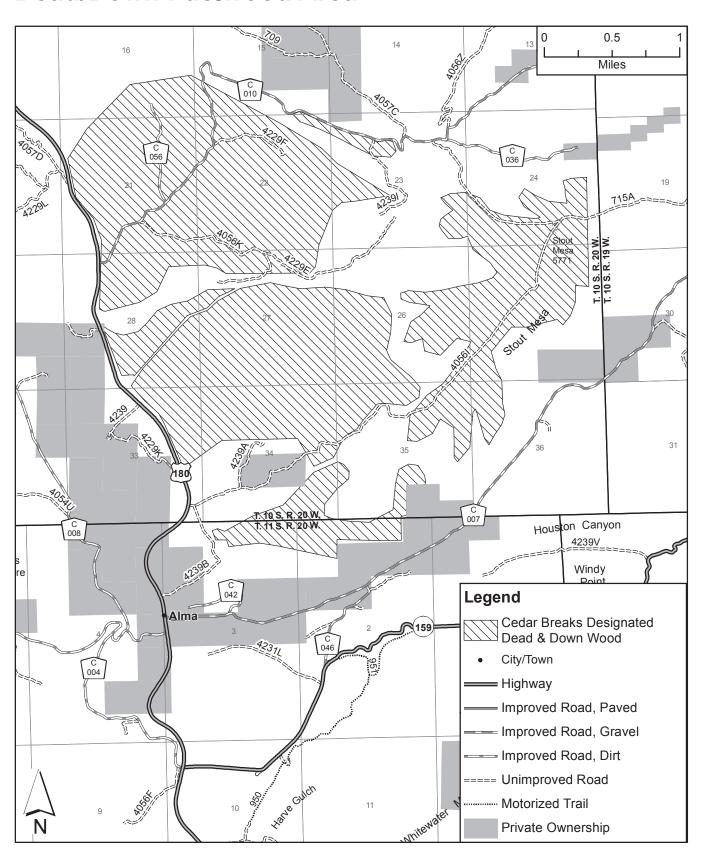
Cut stems and branches to lie less than 2 feet off the ground.

Cut stumps to no more than 6 inches above the ground.

It is the permit holder's responsibility to be sure that they are within the cutting unit and cutting firewood of the correct size and species.

Glenwood Ranger District Dead/Down Fuelwood Area

Cedar Breaks



Cedar Breaks Fuelwood Area Glenwood Ranger District

Cross country travel and the use of closed road and motorized trails are permitted within this firewood area for the purpose of firewood cutting.

The Cedar Breaks Fuelwood area is on the east side of Highway 180, seven miles north of Glenwood, N.M. Dead and down alligator and shaggy bark juniper were mechanically pushed over in this area. Dead and Down Fuelwood gathering is permitted within this area, as specified in the guide. There are three mechanically pushed areas within this Fuelwood area.

Travel Directions and Area Boundaries

For the Alma Flats unit travel north on US Highway 180 from Glenwood NM, approximately 7 miles (MM 45), turn east on Forest Road (FR) 4239B. Pushed areas start at the fence line. Driving cross country to retrieve Fuelwood is permissible.

For the Potholes unit travel north on Highway 180 from Glenwood NM, approximately 9 miles (MM 43), turn east on County Road 010. Pushed areas start at the fence line, on both sides of CR 010. Driving cross country to retrieve Fuelwood is permissible.

For the Stout Mesa unit travel north on US Highway 180 from Glenwood NM, approximately 9 miles (MM 43), turn east on County Road 010. Drive approximately 4 miles to the junction of FR 4056I. Pushed areas encompass most of the mesa. Driving cross country to retrieve Fuelwood is permissible.

The area boundaries are not marked.

The area is not accessible during wet conditions

Cut stems and branches to lie within 2 feet of the ground.

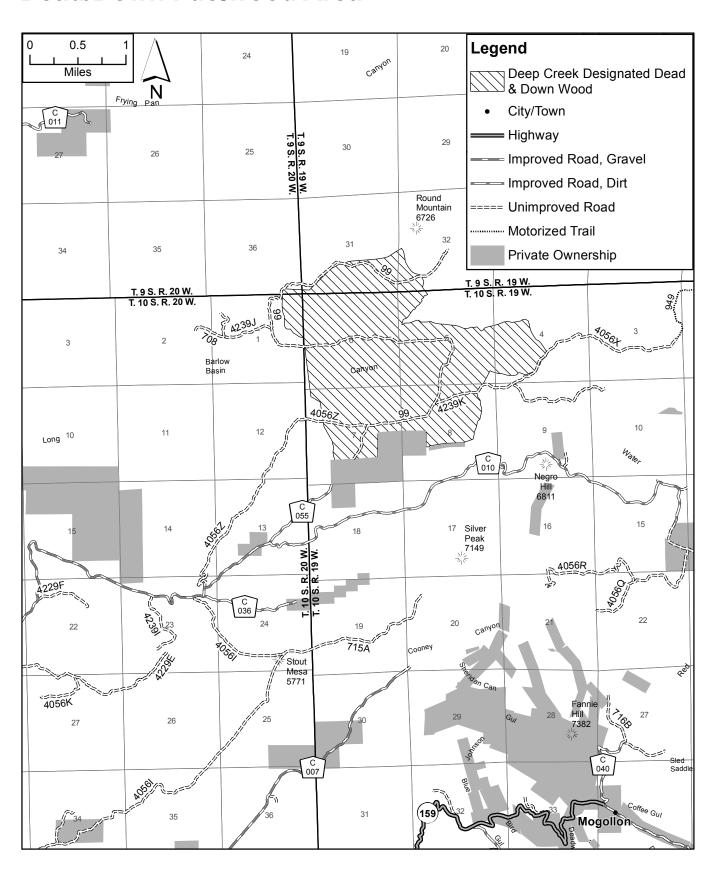
Available Wood

Remove Dead and/or Down juniper and pinyon trees in mechanically pushed areas.

Cut and remove any species or size of dead wood lying on the ground, dead standing juniper of any size; dead standing ponderosa pine or pinyon pine that is less than 12 inches diameter root crown (DRC).

Glenwood Ranger District Dead/Down Fuelwood Area

Deep Creek



Deep Creek Dead/Down Fuelwood Area Glenwood Ranger District

Cross country travel and the use of closed road and motorized trails are permitted within this firewood area for the purpose of firewood cutting.

The Deep Creek Fuelwood area is on the east side of Highway 180, nine miles north of Glenwood, N.M. Dead and Down Fuelwood gathering is permitted within this area, as specified in the guide. Dead and down alligator and shaggy bark juniper were mechanically pushed over in this area.

Travel Directions and Area Boundaries

From Glenwood N.M. travel north on US Highway 180, approximately 9 miles (MM 43), turn east on County Road 010 for approximately 4 miles, to the junction of Forest Road (FR) 4056Z. Follow FR 4056Z for 4 miles to the pushed areas. Driving cross country within the pushed areas to retrieve Fuelwood is permissible.

The area boundaries are not marked.

The area is not accessible during wet conditions

Cut stems and branches to lie within 2 feet of the ground.

A high clearance, preferably 4-wheel drive vehicle is recommended for accessing the area.

Do not cut any trees marked in orange paint, regardless of size.

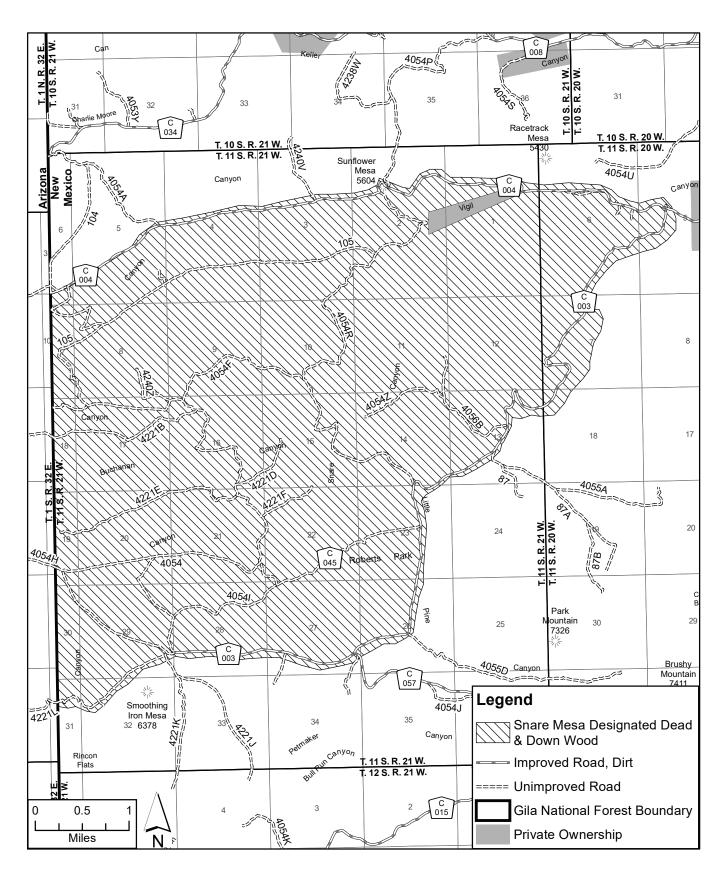
Available Wood

Remove Dead and/or Down juniper and pinyon trees in pushed areas.

Cut and remove any species or size of dead wood lying on the ground, dead standing juniper of any size; dead standing ponderosa pine or pinyon pine that is less than 12 inches diameter root crown (DRC).

Glenwood Ranger District Snare Mesa Dead Fuelwood Area

Snare Mesa



Snare Mesa Dead Fuelwood Area Glenwood Ranger District

Cross country travel and the use of closed road and motorized trails are permitted within this firewood area for the purpose of firewood cutting.

The Snare Mesa Fuelwood area is on the west side of Highway 180, five miles west of Alma, N.M. The area is bounded by County Road 004, County Road 003 and the Arizona state line. Dead Fuelwood gathering is permitted within this area, as specified in the guide. No cutting within signed commercial fuelwood areas within this unit.

Travel Directions and Area Boundaries

From Glenwood N.M. travel north on Highway 180, approximately 5 miles (MM 47), turn west on County Road 004 for approximately 5 miles, to the junction of County Road 003 and County Road 004. Driving cross country within the pushed or cut areas to retrieve fuelwood is permissible.

The area boundaries are not marked.

The area is not accessible during wet conditions. Cut stems and branches to lie within 2 feet of the ground.

Maps of past and current thinning and cutting areas are available at the Glenwood District office.

Available Wood

- Remove Dead and/or Down juniper and pinyon trees in thinning and cutting areas.
- Cut and remove any species or size of dead wood lying on the ground, dead standing juniper of any size; dead standing ponderosa pine or pinyon pine that is less than 12 inches diameter root crown (DRC).
- Dead standing oak up to 9 inches diameter root crown (DRC) may be cut only from June 1 to September 30.

Firewood permits may be obtained at these Gila National Forest offices:

Gila National Forest Supervisor's Office

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Black Range Ranger District

1804 N. Date Street Truth or Consequences, NM 87901 (575) 894-6677

Glenwood Ranger District

18 Ranger Station Drive P.O. Box 8 Glenwood, NM 88039 (575) 539-2481

Quemado Ranger District

3 Lyle Loop P.O. Box 159 Quemado, NM 87829 (575) 773-4678

Reserve Ranger District

5 Smokey Bear Circle P.O. Box 170 Reserve, NM 87830 (575) 533-6231

Silver City Ranger District

3005 E. Camino del Bosque Silver City, NM 88061 (575) 388-8201

Wilderness Ranger District

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