



**U.S. Department of Agriculture, U.S. Forest Service
Fishlake National Forest**

Updated Cottonwood Fire Closure Order

PROHIBITIONS

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. 551 and 36 CFR 261.50 (a) and (b), the following acts are prohibited in the National Forest System (NFS) lands, roads, and trail within the Beaver Ranger District of the Fishlake National Forest, which is closed for safety due to wildland fire:

1. Entering or being in an area. 36 CFR § 261.52(e)
2. Being on the Road 36 CFR § 261.54(e)
3. Being on a Trail. 36 CFR § 261.5(a)

EXEMPTIONS

Pursuant to 36 C.F.R. § 261.50(e), the following persons are exempt from this Order:

1. Persons with Forest Service Permit No. FS-7700-48 (Permit for Use of Roads, Trails, or Areas Restricted by Regulation or Order), specifically exempting them from this Order or a written determination by a Forest Service authorized officer that a permit is not required under 36 C.F.R. § 251.50(e)(1) or (2).
2. Any Federal, State, or Local Officer, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.

AREA DESCRIBED

Area Closure: the area closed by this Order is depicted on the Map attached hereto as Exhibit A, which is incorporated herein by reference and is generally described as:

All Land within the Beaver Ranger District. Beginning at the administrative Forest boundary at the boundary of the Beaver Ranger District and the Fillmore Ranger District, on the Northwest corner of the Beaver Ranger District, West along Interstate 70 to the administrative Forest boundary in the Northeast corner of the Beaver Ranger District; S o u t h along the administrative Forest boundary to the southern administrative Forest boundary; West along the southern administrative Forest boundary to the western administrative Forest boundary; north along the administrative Forest boundary to the intersection of the administrative Forest boundary and Interstate 70 at the Northwest corner of the Beaver Ranger district.

All roads and trails within the above-described area are closed.

Closed Roads:

All Roads within the Closure area and within the Beaver Ranger District.

Closed Trails:

All Trails within the Closure area and within the Beaver Ranger District.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this Order is to protect public health and safety during The Cottonwood Fire and post fire containment.

IMPLEMENTATION

1. This shall be in effect from June 27, 2026 at 16:00 and will remain in effect until December 31, 2026 unless rescinded.
2. A map identifying the Described Area is attached and made part of this Order as Exhibit A.
3. Unless otherwise expressly defined in this Order, the terms used in this Order are defined by the regulations of the Secretary of Agriculture, 36 C.F.R. Chapter II, Parts 200-299. If there are terms in this Order that are not expressly defined in the Order or 36 C.F.R. Chapter II, Parts 200-299, their meaning shall be determined by their plain language definitions.
4. A violation of the above prohibitions is punishable as a Class B misdemeanor by a fine of not more than \$5,000 for individuals and \$10,000 for organizations, or by imprisonment for not more than six months, or both. 16 U.S.C. § 551; 18 U.S.C. §§ 3559, 3571, and 3581.
5. Contact the Fishlake National Forest Supervisor's Office in Richfield, Utah, (435) 896-9233, or the Beaver Ranger District Office in Beaver, Utah, (435)-438-2436 for more information about this Order.
6. This Order supersedes Forest Order 0408-26-03, and any previous Orders prohibiting the same or similar acts in the same Described Area.

Signed and issued on June 27th, 2026.

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