

MINERAL MATERIAL REMOVAL INSTRUCTIONS PRESCOTT NATIONAL FOREST

This instruction sheet is part of this **CONTRACT FOR THE SALE OF MINERAL MATERIALS (Contract)**. This Contract is for the Prescott National Forest (PNF) only. You must have this Contract in your possession while removing mineral materials. It is illegal for others to use this Contract to remove mineral materials.

Mineral Material: Natural occurring stone such as river rock, basalt, cinders and sandstone.

1. You may only remove the amount of mineral material authorized under this Contract.
2. Authorization is for collecting specific mineral material stated on the contract only.
 - a. See attached map for locations of mineral material collection. Other areas not shown on the map are prohibited from collection.
 - b. Additional areas prohibited from collection: existing quarries operated by commercial operators under Contract.
3. Mineral materials can be removed by hand only. No heavy equipment is allowed for the removal of stone: backhoes, dozers, etc.
4. **Motorized Travel is restricted to roads identified on the PNF Motorized Vehicle Use Map.** Do not block roads and trails with stone or with your vehicle.
 - a. You may pull off the roadway 50 feet to access mineral materials.
5. Mineral material removal may be prohibited during periods of extreme fire danger, and is prohibited when wet roads or soil conditions exist. In an effort to protect National Forest lands and roads from damage due to vehicle use during wet conditions, seasonal restrictions are necessary
6. You are liable in damages for the loss or destruction of all Government property and surface resources: roads, soils, wildlife habitat, etc. for which you are directly or indirectly responsible under this contract.
7. You must remove all trash, debris and materials resulting from operations.
8. The administration fee is not subject to refund. Lost Contracts cannot be replaced.

Protection of archeological and paleontological resources:

**It is illegal to alter, damage, or destroy an archeological site on any lands, per 36 CFR 261.9 (g) or 36 CFR 261.9 (h),*

Pursuant to the Paleontological Resources Preservation Act (PRPA), under P.L. 111-11, Title VI, Subtitle D, paleontological* resources are managed and protected by the Forest Service. The removal or damage to any vertebrate or paleontological resource such as trace fossils*** for commercial purposes without a special-use authorization is prohibited (36 CFR 261.9 (i)). Any and all vertebrate fossil discoveries will be brought to the attention of the Forest Service Minerals and Geology program and will not be removed or damaged during removal of mineral material.*

*Paleontological: life of past geologic periods as known from fossil remains

**Vertebrate: an animal that has a backbone

***Trace Fossils: a fossil (e.g., a dinosaur footprint) that shows the activity of an animal or plant

