



**U.S. Department of Agriculture
U.S. Forest Service
Cibola National Forest and National Grasslands
Sandia Ranger District**

Road and Recreation Area Closure

PROHIBITIONS

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 551 and 36 C.F.R. § 261.50 (a) and (b), the following are prohibited on the National Forest System (NFS) lands, and roads in the Sandia Ranger District, Cibola National Forest and National Grasslands, described below and shown on the attached map incorporated into this Order as Exhibit A the Described Area and Roads:

1. Going into or being upon the prohibited area which is closed for public health and safety. 36 C.F.R. § 261.53(e).

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 resource in the performance of an official duty.

DESCRIBED AREA/ROADS/TRAILS

- Section 35 Township 12 North, Range 4 East New Mexico Principal Meridian
- Section 02 Township 11 North, Range 4 East New Mexico Principal Meridian

Specifically National Forest System Roads 333A at the intersection of 333A and 333E as well as the La Luz Trailhead Parking Area. Various lane closures throughout NFSR 333 are also to be expected.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this Order is to protect the public due road construction where no detour can be safely made to avoid and traverse around the road construction zone.

IMPLEMENTATION

1. This Order shall be in effect from August 11, 2025 at 0700 through September 10, 2025 at 1800, unless rescinded.
2. A map identifying the Described Area and Roads is attached and made part of this Order as Exhibit A. For a digital version of this Order and Exhibit A, go to <https://www.fs.usda.gov/r03/cibola/alerts>
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 Sandia Ranger District in Tijeras, New Mexico, (505) 281-3304, and Cibola National Forest and National Grasslands Supervisor's Office in Albuquerque, New Mexico, (505) 346-3900, for more information about this Order.
6. This Order supersedes any previous Orders prohibiting the same or similar acts in/on the same Described Area/Roads.

Signed and issued on July 31, 2025.

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