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U.S. Department of Agriculture, U.S. Forest Service White River National Forest Eagle-Holy Cross Ranger District

Emergency Road Closure

PROHIBITIONS

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 551 and 36 C.F.R. § 261.50(b), the following is prohibited on the National Forest System (NFS) Road in the Eagle-Holy Cross Ranger District, White River National Forest, described below and shown on the attached map incorporated into this Order as Exhibit A (the "Described Road"):

1. Using a bicycle or motor vehicle on the Described Road. 36 C.F.R. § 261.54(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 resource in the performance of an official duty.

DESCRIBED ROAD

The entirety of NFS Road 405 in Eagle County, Colorado, from its junction with NFS Road 700 to the end of the road in Township 3 South, Range 82 West, Section 20, as shown on the map in Exhibit A.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this Order is to protect public health and safety by prohibiting bicycle and motor vehicle traffic on the Described Road due to a large road washout.

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IMPLEMENTATION

1. This Order shall be in effect from May 25, 2023, at 12:01am through December 31, 2024, at 12:01am, unless rescinded.

- 2. A map identifying the Described Road 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/detail/whiteriver/home/?cid=stelprdb5176138.
- 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 Eagle-Holy Cross Ranger District in Minturn, CO, (970) 827-5715, and White River National Forest Supervisor's Office in Glenwood Springs, CO, (970) 945-2521, for more information about this Order.
- 6. This Order supersedes any previous Orders prohibiting the same or similar acts on the same Described Road.

Signed and issued on May 24, 2023.

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White River National Forest

Exhibit A - Emergency Road Closure

