Order Number: # MBRTB-2023-167



U.S. Department of Agriculture, U.S. Forest Service Medicine Bow and Routt National Forests and Thunder Basin National Grassland (MBRTB) Parks Ranger District

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 Parks Ranger District, Medicine Bow and Routt National Forest and Thunder Basin National Grassland, described below and shown on the attached map incorporated into this Order as Exhibit A (the "Described Road"):

1. Being on the Restricted Road.36C.F.R.§61.54.

EXEMPTIONS

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

- 1. Persons with a Forest Service permit specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission. Resident owners and lessees of land and holders of Forest Service recreational use authorizations, within the Restricted Area or within areas served by the Restricted Road
- 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).
- 3. 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 Restricted Road is defined as **National Forest System Road NFSR 792.1** including the road length and all system spurs between its origin at NFSR 740.1 to the intersection with 792.1A, in the vicinity of the 6th Principal Meridian, T6N, R77W, Sections 9 and 10.

The restricted road is shown on the attached map hereby incorporated into this Order as Exhibit A.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this Order is to protect public safety while replacing a road bridge over Michigan River.

IMPLEMENTATION

- 1. This Order shall be in effect from June 16, 2023 at 12:00 pm through December 31, 2023, unless rescinded.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 <u>https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/mbr/alerts-notices</u>.
- 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 Parks Ranger District in Walden, Colorado, (970) 273-2700 and MBRTB National Forest Supervisor's Office in Laramie, Wyoming (307) 745-2433 for more information about this Order.
- 6. This Order supersedes any previous Orders prohibiting the same or similar acts on the same Described Road.

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