Order Number: # WRNF-2023-16



U.S. Department of Agriculture, U.S. Forest Service White River National Forest Aspen-Sopris Ranger District

Road and Trail 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) roads and trails in the Aspen-Sopris Ranger District, White River National Forest, described below and shown on the attached map incorporated into this Order as Exhibit A (the "Described Road" and "Described Trail"):

- 1) Using a motor vehicle, including over-snow vehicles, on the Described Road. 36 C.F.R. § 261.54(a).
- 2) Using a motor vehicle, including over-snow vehicles, on the Described Trail. 36 C.F.R. § 261.55(b).

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 or Forest Service administrative personnel, in the performance of an official duty.

DESCRIBED ROAD AND DESCRIBED TRAIL

The Described Road is NFS Road 300.3, Fourmile Road, beginning at the closure gate after the completed Williams Peak unit and ending at the intersection with NFS Roads 300.3 and 300.1P.

The Described Trail is the snowmobile route on Sunlight to Powderhorn Trail, S/P Trail, beginning at the intersection with the Beaver Creek Trail, NFS Trail 2092.1, and ending at the intersection with the Fourmile Trail, NFS Trail 2091W.1M.

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The Described Road and Trail are located in Garfield and Pitkin Counties, Colorado and are located in Section 31, T7S, R89W; Section 36, T7S, R90W; Sections 1, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, and 23, T8S, R90W, 6th P.M.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this Order is to protect public safety during logging and related hauling operations occurring in the area.

IMPLEMENTATION

- 1. This Order shall be in effect from December 18, 2023, at 7:00 AM through May 21, 2024, at 7:00 AM, unless rescinded.
- 2. A map identifying the Described Road and Described Trail is attached and made part of this Order as Exhibit A. For a digital version of this Order and Exhibit A, go to White River National Forest Special Orders (usda.gov).
- 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 Aspen-Sopris Ranger District in Carbondale, CO, (970) 963-2266, 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 and Described Trail.

Signed	and iss	sued on	12/15/2023.

Forest Supervisor White River National Forest

