FOREST ORDER NO. 05-04-53-23-08 USDA FOREST SERVICE INYO NATIONAL FOREST ANCIENT BRISTLECONE PINE AREA CLOSURE

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C § 551 and 36 C.F.R. § 261.50(a), and to provide for public safety and protect natural resources, the following acts are prohibited within the Inyo National Forest. This Order is effective from September 5, 2023, through September 5, 2025.

- 1. Building, maintaining, attending, or using a fire or campfire within the Ancient Bristlecone Pine Forest National Protection Area as described in Exhibit A and shown on Exhibit B. 36 C.F.R. § 261.52(a).
- 2. Possessing, storing, or transporting any part of a Bristlecone Pine Tree (Pinus longeava) or Limber Pine (Pinus flexilis). 36 C.F.R. § 261.58(t)
- 3. Camping within the Ancient Bristlecone Pine Forest National Protection Area as described in Exhibit A and shown on Exhibit B. 36 C.F.R. § 261.58(e).
- 4. Being in the developed Schulman and Patriarch Groves of the Ancient Bristlecone Pine Forest National Protection Area after sundown or before sunrise as described in Exhibit A and shown on Exhibit B. 36 C.F.R. § 261.58(l).

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.
- 2. Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or fire-fighting force in the performance of an official duty.

These prohibitions are in addition to the general prohibitions contained in 36 C.F.R. Part 261, Subpart A. A violation of these prohibitions is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000 for an individual or \$10,000 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than six months, or both. 16 U.S.C. § 551 and 18 U.S.C. §§ 3559, 3571, and 3581.

Executed in Bishop California, this 5th day of September 2023.

LESLEY YEN
Forest Supervisor
Inyo National Forest

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The boundary of the Ancient Bristlecone Pine Area Closure includes the Ancient Bristlecone Pine Forest (ABPF) and the White Mountain Natural Area (WMNA) designated boundaries, which includes Shulman Grove and Patriarch Grove.

The boundary of the Ancient Bristlecone Pine Area Closure begins at Point 1 (Lat 37.52120063, Long -118.1485198); then continues South to Point 2 (Lat 37.50689132, Long -118.1488763); then continues East to Point 3 (Lat 37.50694788, Long -118.1307651); then continues South to Point 4 (Lat 37.46366393, Long -118.1321555); then continues East to Point 5 (Lat 37.46363563, Long -118.1228147); then continues South to Point 6 (Lat 37.44911716, Long -118.1229217); then continues East to Point 7 (Lat 37.44920207, Long -118.1138661); then continues South to Point 8 (Lat 37.39127002, Long -118.1139017); then continues West to Point 9 (Lat 37.39118504, Long -118.1321555); then continues South to Point 10 (Lat 37.37676584, Long -118.1321199); then continues West to Point 11 (Lat 37.37659585, Long -118.150338); then continues South to Point 12 (Lat 37.36214551, Long -118.1504093); then continues West to Point 13 (Lat 37.36214551, Long -118.1867743); then continues North to Point 14 (Lat 37.41673053, Long -118.1863108); then continues West to Point 15 (Lat 37.41658895, Long -118.2050281); then continues North to Point 16 (Lat 37.46292817, Long -118.2050994); then continues West to Point 17 (Lat 37.46281498, Long -118.223068); then continues North to Point 18 (Lat 37.52094614, Long -118.2218915); then continues East to Point 19 (Lat 37.5210027, Long -118.2033881); then continues to the Northeast to the East side of Forest Road 4S01E to Point 20 (Lat 37.53078577, Long -118.1971847); then continues East to the North side of the South Fork of Cottonwood Creek to Point 21 (Lat 37.5307575, Long -118.1634936); the continues Southeast to the East side of Poison Creek to Point 22 (Lat 37.52108753, Long -118.1681996); then concludes East to starting Point 1 (Lat 37.52120063, Long -118.1485198).

