

**Order No. 03-12-01-24-14**



**U.S. Department of Agriculture, U.S. Forest Service  
Tonto National Forest  
Cave Creek Ranger District**

**Horseshoe Dam Road (NFSR 205) Emergency Closure  
For Public Safety**

**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 Cave Creek Ranger District, Tonto National Forest, described below and shown on the attached map incorporated into this Order as Exhibit A (the "Described Road"):

1. Using any motor vehicle on the Described Road. 36 C.F.R. § 261.54(a).
2. Being on the Described Road. 36 C.F.R. § 261.54(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 ROAD**

The entire portion of National Forest System Road (NFSR) 205, also known as Horseshoe Dam Road, starting from the junction of (NFSR) 19, also known as Bartlett Dam Road, on National Forest System land in Township 6 North, Range 6 East,

Section 9, following north until its terminus at Horseshoe Lake within Township 7 North, Range 6 East, Section 2.

## PURPOSE

To provide public health and safety due to firefighting operations and fire danger associated with the uncontrolled Horse Fire on the Tonto National Forest.

## IMPLEMENTATION

1. This Order shall be in effect from May 5, 2024, at 9:00pm through June 05, 2024, at 6:00pm, unless rescinded.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/alerts/tonto/alerts-notice>.
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 Cave Ranger District in Scottsdale, AZ, (480) 595-3300, and Tonto National Forest Supervisor's Office in Phoenix, AZ, (602) 225-5200, 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 5\_\_\_\_, 2024.

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