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# U.S. Department of Agriculture, U.S. Forest Service Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests Black Mesa Ranger District

# PROMONTORY BUTTE TEMPORARY 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, trails, and lands in the Black Mesa Ranger District, Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest, described below and shown on the attached map incorporated into this Order as Exhibit A (the "Described Area"):

- 1. Going into or being upon the Described Area for the protection of public health and safety. **36 C.F.R. § 261.53(e)**
- 2. Being on the roads in the Described Area. 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 AREA/ROADS**

As shown in the map at Exhibit A, the Described Area encompasses all National Forest System lands, roads, and trails within the boundary at the junction of National Forest System Road (NFSR) #300 and NFSR #76 (Global Positioning System (GPS) location: N34.375578/W111.021444), then following in a westerly direction along NFSR #300 to the intersection with NFSR #9302 (GPS: N34.379258/W111.040474), then following in a southerly direction along the edge of the Mogollon Rim on the Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests (ASNF) to the Promontory Trailhead (GPS:

N34.352892/W111.056824), then following in an easterly direction along the edge of the Mogollon Rim on the ASNF to the intersection with the Forest Boundary Point at GPS: N34.341063/W111.028735, then following in a northerly direction along the Forest Boundary to an identified point along the edge of the Mogollon Rim (GPS: N34.373135/W111.020544), then following in a northern direction to NFSR #300 (GPS: N34.375643/W111.02062), then following in a westerly direction along NFSR #300 back to the point of beginning at the junction of NFSR #300/76 (GPS: N34.375578/W111.021444).

All perimeter roads comprising the Described Area are closed unless as excepted above.

### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this Order is to provide for the public's health and safety during periods of high or extreme fire danger with very limited escape routes out of the described area during fire restrictions.

# **IMPLEMENTATION**

- 1. This Order shall be in effect from June 7, 2023, at 8:00 AM through September 30, 2024, at 8:00AM, unless rescinded.
- 2. A map identifying the Described Area is attached and made part of this Order as Exhibit A. For a digital version of this Order and Exhibit A, go to <a href="https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/asnf/alerts-notices">https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/asnf/alerts-notices</a>
- 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

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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 Black Mesa Ranger District, (928) 535-7300, and Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest Supervisor's Office, (928) 333-4301, for more information about

this Order.

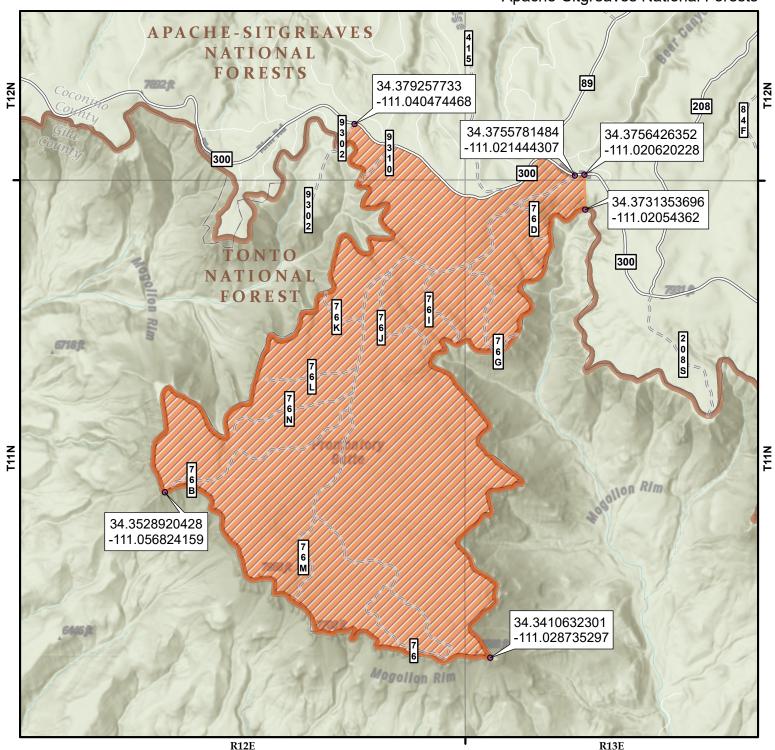
6. This Order supersedes any previous Orders prohibiting the same or similar acts in the same Described Area.

Signed and issued on June 7, 2024.

Robert Lever
Forest Supervisor
Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests

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#### **Forest Order Information**

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#### Disclaimer

The USDA Forest Service makes no warranty, expressed or implied regarding the data displayed on this map, and reserves the right to correct, update, modify, or replace this information without notification.

# Legend



Described GPS Coordinates

National Forest Boundary





