



**U.S. Department of Agriculture, U.S. Forest Service  
Santa Fe National Forest  
Española Ranger District**

**Camping Area Closure at Headquarters Well**

**PROHIBITIONS**

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 551 and 36 C.F.R. § 261.50 (a) and (b) the following is prohibited on the National Forest System (NFS) lands in the Española Ranger District, Santa Fe National Forest, described below and shown on the attached map incorporated into this Order as Exhibit A (the "Described Area"):

1. Camping. 36 C.F.R. § 261.58 (e).
2. Being in the area after sundown or before sunrise. 36 C.F.R. § 261.58(l).
3. Being on any road in the Described Area after sundown or before sunrise. 36 C.F.R. § 261.54(e).
4. Being on any trail in the Described Area after sundown or before sunrise. 36 C.F.R. § 261.55(a).

**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. § 261.50(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.
3. Persons on NFS Roads and Trails in the Described Area after sundown or before sunrise for the exclusive purpose of traveling through the Described Area.

## DESCRIBED AREA/ROADS/TRAILS

The Described Area includes all NFS lands within Section 21, Township 17 North, Range 8 East, New Mexico Meridian, New Mexico, as specifically depicted in Exhibit A.

## PURPOSE

The purpose of this Order is to prevent further resource damage caused by increase in uncontrolled camping activities, vandalism, and trash dumping. This Order will also allow for rehabilitation of the natural resources in the Described Area.

## IMPLEMENTATION

1. This Order shall be in effect from June 21, 2024, at 0800 through December 31, 2025, at 0800, unless rescinded.
2. A map identifying the Described [Area/Roads/Trails] 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/ /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 Espanola Ranger District in Espanola, NM, (505) 753-7331, or the Santa Fe National Forest Supervisor's Office in Santa Fe, NM, (505) 438-5300, 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 this 18<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2024.

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Forest Supervisor  
Santa Fe National Forest