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**File Code:** 1010; 5300**Date:****Route To:****Subject:** Forest Order Closure - Grizzly Peak Research Natural Area Special Closure Order  
- SJNF-2022-02**To:** District Rangers, Law Enforcement Patrol Captain

Attached is Forest Order Number SJNF-2022-02:

- 1) Going into or being upon the Restricted Area with vehicles and/or motor vehicles. 36 C.F.R. § 261.53(e)

This Order implements prohibitions approved in the September 13, 2013, Record of the Decision for the San Juan National Forest Land and Resource Management Plan and is necessary to provide for maintenance of natural conditions and processes to facilitate research and education and maintain biological diversity – the purposes for which RNAs are established on National Forest System lands – within the Grizzly Peak RNA.

The above act is prohibited on National Forest System lands within the Grizzly Peak Research Natural Area (RNA) on the Dolores Ranger District of the San Juan National Forest, Dolores County, State of Colorado. The Grizzly Peak RNA includes all or part of Sections 4-6, 8 and 9, T. 40 N., R. 9 W.; Section 1, T. 40 N., R. 10 W.; Sections 19 and 20, 28-33, T. 41 N., R. 9 W., and Section 36. T. 41 N., R. 10 W., New Mexico Principal Meridian as depicted on the attached map hereby incorporated into this Order as Exhibit A and more topographically shown on Exhibit B.

Please post the Forest Order, Maps (Exhibit A and B), and accompanying Public Notice in your Forest Order notebooks and place a copy in your files. Also, post the Public Notice on your bulletin boards, social media outlets, and websites.

If you have any questions regarding this order, please contact Recreation Program Staff Officer Tom Rice at 970-882-6829 or [thomas.b.rice@usda.gov](mailto:thomas.b.rice@usda.gov). For questions regarding the posting of this order and the public notice, please contact Executive Assistant, Beth Fox at 970-385-1290 or [elizabeth.fox@usda.gov](mailto:elizabeth.fox@usda.gov).

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Forest Supervisor

Attachments – Closure Order and Exhibit A and B - Maps

cc: Frontliners, PAO, LEI



**FOREST ORDER  
USDA FOREST SERVICE  
SAN JUAN NATIONAL FOREST  
Dolores Ranger District**

**Grizzly Peak Research Natural Area Special Closure Order**

Pursuant to 16 United States Code (U.S.C.) 551 and 36 Code of Federal Regulations (C.F.R.) § 261.50 (a), the following act is prohibited on National Forest System lands within the Grizzly Peak Research Natural Area (RNA) on the Dolores Ranger District of the San Juan National Forest, Dolores County, State of Colorado. The Grizzly Peak RNA includes all or part of Sections 4-6, 8 and 9, T. 40 N., R. 9 W.; Section 1, T. 40 N., R. 10 W.; Sections 19 and 20, 28-33, T. 41 N., R. 9 W., and Section 36. T. 41 N., R. 10 W., New Mexico Principal Meridian as depicted on the attached map hereby incorporated into this Order as Exhibit A and more topographically shown on Exhibit B.

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**PROHIBITIONS:**

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**EXEMPTIONS:**

Pursuant to 36 C.F.R. § 261.50(e), the following persons are exempt from this Order:

- 1) Persons with a permit specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission.
- 2) Any Federal, State, or local law enforcement officer or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force engaged in the performance of an official duty.

This Order shall remain in effect until February 2, 2029, or until rescinded, whichever occurs first.

Done at Durango Colorado this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of February 2022.

Kara Chadwick  
Forest Supervisor

*Violations of these regulations are punishable as a Class B misdemeanor, 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. § 3571*

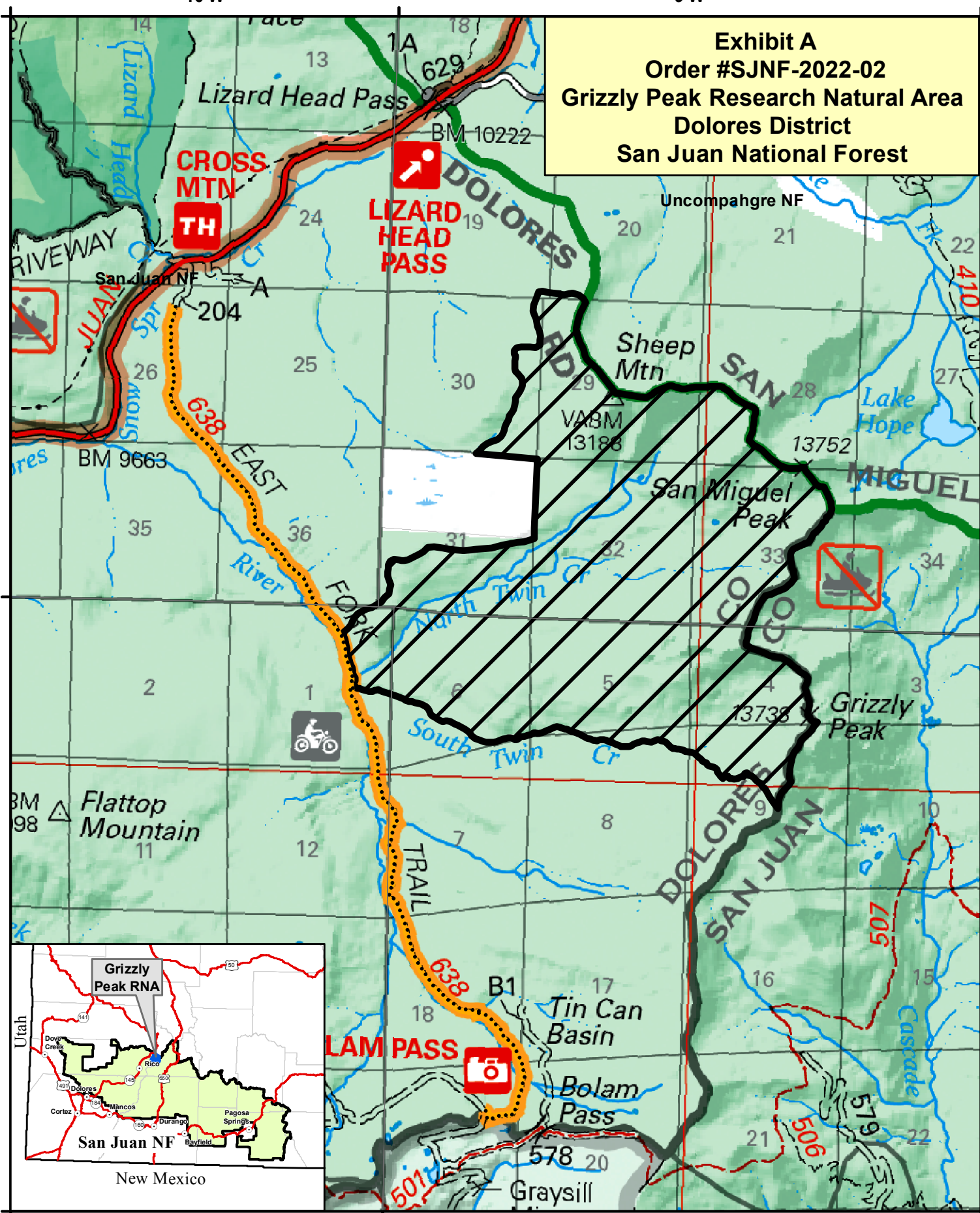
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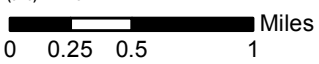
**Exhibit A**  
**Order #SJNF-2022-02**  
**Grizzly Peak Research Natural Area**  
**Dolores District**  
**San Juan National Forest**




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-  National Forest System Motorized Single-track Trail



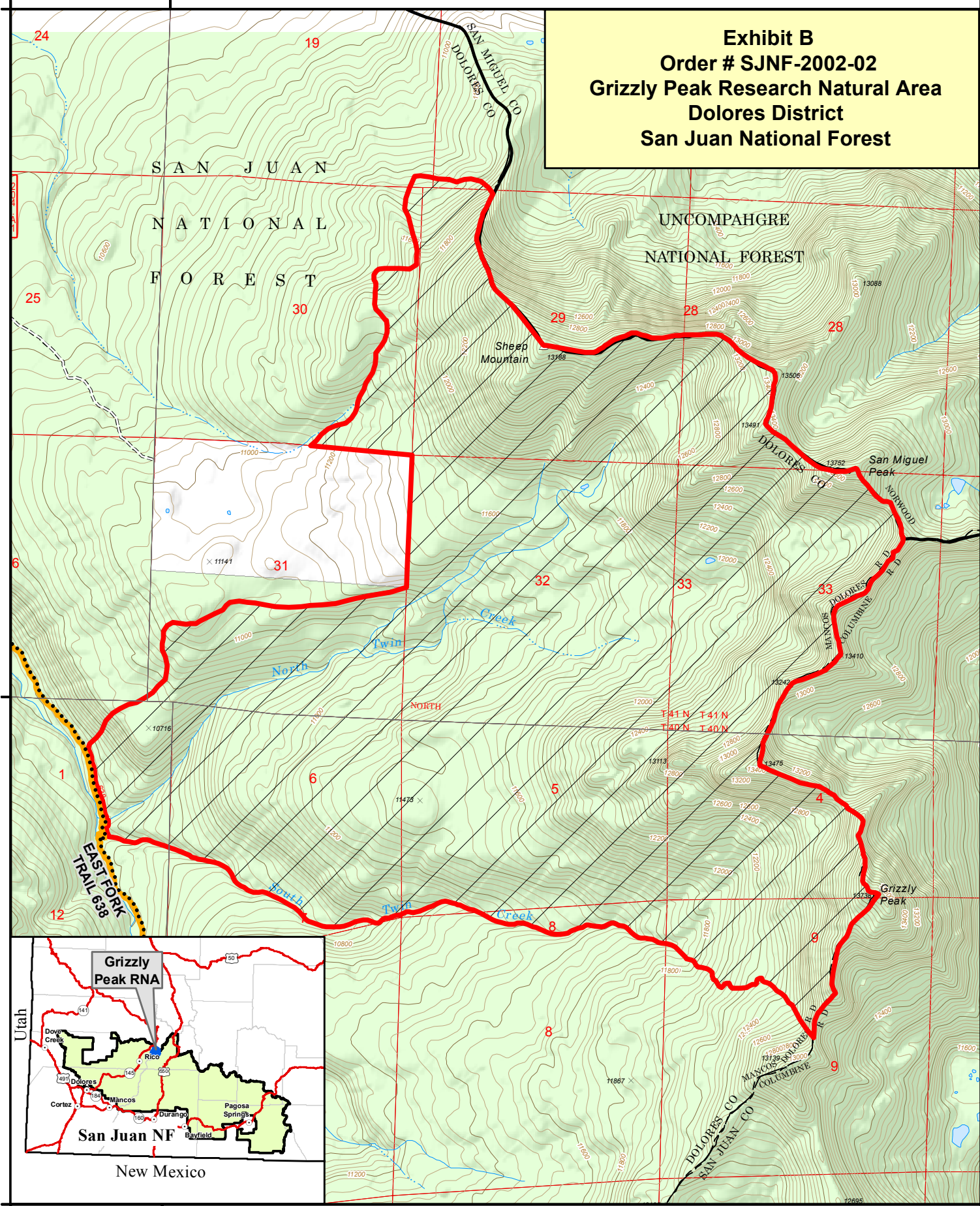
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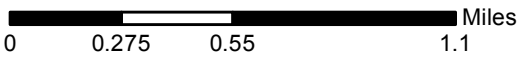
**Exhibit B**  
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