

**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
FOREST SERVICE
COCONINO NATIONAL FOREST
FLAGSTAFF RANGER DISTRICT**

FLAGSTAFF WATERSHED PROTECTION PROJECT AREA CLOSURE

PROHIBITIONS:

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. 551, and 36 CFR § 261.50(a) and (b), the following acts are prohibited on all National Forest System lands within the Coconino National Forest, in Coconino County in the state of Arizona. The restricted area is depicted on the attached map, hereby incorporated into this Order as Exhibit A.

PROHIBITIONS:

1. Going into or being upon the restricted area; 36 CFR § 261.52(e)
2. Being on the road; 36 CFR § 261.54(e)
3. Being on a trail; 36 CFR § 261.55(a)

EXEMPTIONS:

Pursuant to 36 CFR § 261.50(e), the following persons are exempt from this closure order:

1. Persons with a Forest Service permit specifically authorizing the prohibited act or omission.
2. Any Federal, State or Local Officer or member of an organized firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.
3. Persons using and remaining on FR 557.

AREA DESCRIBED:

The order applies to National Forest System lands, roads, and trails within the following boundary. Beginning at the southwest corner of section 2 of Township 21 N Range 7 E heading due north 1.5 miles along the Forest boundary to the center of the section line between Township 22 N Range 7 E sections 33 & 34. From there west along the Forest boundary 0.25 miles to a point just west of FR 557 and east of Rocky Ridge Trail then south 0.25 miles to the center of the southeast quadrant of section 34 of Township 22 N Range 7 E then west along the Forest boundary 0.5 miles to a point just south of the Rocky Ridge Trail then south along the Forest boundary 0.25 miles to the section line between Township 22 N and Township 21 N. From there west along the Forest boundary 0.13 miles to a point just south of FR 557 then north 0.24 miles along the Forest boundary to a point just south of Rocky Ridge Trail then west along the Forest boundary 0.35 miles then south along the Forest boundary 0.24 miles to the section line between Township 22 N and Township 21 N then west along the Forest boundary 0.28 miles to a point just west of the Schultz Creek drainage then north 0.25 miles along the Forest boundary then west 0.1 miles to the Schultz Creek drainage.

From there northwest along the Schultz Creek drainage to the intersection of Schultz Creek Trail and Rocky Ridge Trail then paralleling and just to the east of Schultz Creek Trail to the section line between Township 22 N Range 7 E section 33 and Township 22 N Range 7 E section 28 then east 0.32 miles to the 7600 ft. contour. From that point east following the 7600 ft. contour 5.37 miles to the section line between Township 21 N Range 7 E section 2 and Township 21 N Range 7 E section 1 then south 0.32 miles then east 0.37 miles to near the base of Elden Mountain then south 0.31 miles to the Forest boundary at the section line of Township 21 N Range 7 E then west 1 mile along the Forest boundary to the Paradise Valley drainage then northwest 0.2 miles paralleling the Paradise Valley drainage along the Forest boundary then turning west northwest 0.12 miles along the Forest boundary then southeast 0.1 miles along the Forest boundary then south 0.13 miles along the Forest boundary to the north section line of Township 21 N Range 7 E section 11 then west to the southwest corner of section 2 of Township 21 N Range 7 E.

This area, road, and trail closure only affects National Forest System land, roads, and trails within the closure area on the Coconino National Forest. The closure does not affect any private, state, county, or other Non-National Forest System lands within the closure boundary of the Gila and Salt River meridian as shown on the attached map, Exhibit A.

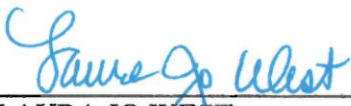
PURPOSE:

This Order is necessary to protect public health and safety due to ongoing logging and thinning operations in the Flagstaff Watershed Protection Project area.

IMPLEMENTATION:

1. This Order will be in effect when signed and shall remain in effect until December 31, 2017 or until rescinded, whichever occurs first.
2. This Order will be in effect as signed on the ground.
3. This Order rescinds, replaces and supersedes any previous Orders prohibiting the same acts covered by this Order in that area addressed in Exhibit.

Done at Flagstaff, Arizona, this ** day of September, 2017



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