

**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 the roads and in the trails and areas described in this Order (the “Restricted Area”), and as depicted on the attached map, hereby incorporated into this Order as Exhibit A, all within the Flagstaff Ranger District, Coconino National Forest, Coconino County, Arizona:

**PROHIBITIONS:**

1. Going into or being upon the Restricted Area; 36 CFR § 261.53(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 Order:

1. Persons with a Forest Service permit specifically exempting them from the effect of this Order.
2. Any Federal, State or Local Officer or member of an organized firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.

**AREA DESCRIBED:**

This Order applies to National Forest System lands, roads, and trails within the following boundary:

Beginning at the intersection of Private land and the eastern side of FR 420, located in the southwestern quarter section of T. 22 N., R. 8 E., Section 33; Thence northerly along the east side of Forest Road (FR) 420 to the Junction of FR 420 and Chimney trail. Thence northerly along Forest Road (FR) 420 to the junction of FR 420 and FR 6277; Thence northerly along FR 6277 to the junction with FR 743 (commonly known as the Pipeline Road); Thence easterly along the south side of FR 743 to the intersection of FR 743 and the section line between T. 22 N., R. 7 E., Section 13 and T. 22 N., R. 8 E., Section 18; Thence southerly along the eastern section line of T. 22 N., R. 7 E., Sections 24, 25 & 36 to the intersection with the Elden Lookout Trail; Thence westerly along the north side of Elden Lookout Trail to the Lookout Tower; Thence due south to the southern section line of T. 22 N., R. 8 E., Section 36; Thence westerly along the southern section line between T. 22 N., R. 7 E., Sections 36 & 35 to the southwest corner of T. 22 N., R. 8 E., Section 35; Thence northerly and westerly along the National Forest boundary and the private land boundary to the point of origin along the eastern side of FR 420.

Forest Road (FR) 420 north of the junction with the Chimney Trail to the intersection with FR 743; FR 9128Y; FR 557 (Elden Lookout Road) beyond the Private land in the Southeastern quarter section of T. 22 N., R. 8 E., Section 34, and the Shultz Creek Trailhead remain closed.

Brook Bank, Little Bear, Little Elden Springs Trail between Little Bear and Schultz Tank, Rocky Ridge, Schultz Creek Trail, Schultz Loop, Sunset, Upper Oldham, Lower Oldham, Secret, Weatherford, Heart and the Arizona National Scenic trail sections within the above identified area and as shown on Exhibit A are closed.

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 pursuant to the Flagstaff Watershed Protection Project.

**IMPLEMENTATION:**

1. This Order will be in effect when signed and shall remain in effect until December 7, 2020, or until rescinded, whichever occurs first.
2. This Order rescinds, replaces and supersedes any previous Orders prohibiting the same acts covered by this Order in that area addressed in Exhibit.
3. Any violation of these prohibitions is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000.00 for individuals and \$10,000.00 for organizations and/or imprisonment for not more than six (6) months. [Title 16 USC 551, Title 18 USC 3571(b) (6), Title 18 USC 3581 (b) (7)].

Done at Flagstaff, Arizona, this 5<sup>th</sup> day of February , 2019

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