



**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
FOREST SERVICE
GILA NATIONAL FOREST
QUEMADO RANGER DISTRICT**

EAST CENTERFIRE PRESCRIBED FIRE TEMPORARY AREA CLOSURE ORDER

PROHIBITIONS:

Pursuant to 16 USC 551 and Title 36 CFR 261.50(a) and (b), the following acts are prohibited within the area as described in this Order (the "restricted area") and as depicted on the attached maps, hereby incorporated into this Order as Exhibit A, within the Quemado Ranger District, Gila National Forest, Catron County within the State of New Mexico.

1. Going into or being upon the restricted area. **36 CFR 261.53(e)**
2. Being on the road. **36 CFR 261.54(e)**

EXEMPTIONS:

Pursuant to 36 CFR 261.50(e) the following persons are exempt from this Order:

1. Persons with a Forest Service permit specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission.
2. Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.
3. Residents in the area accessing private property via a restricted Forest Service road to the extent necessary to gain access to their private property.

RESTRICTED AREA:

All National Forest System lands, roads, and trails within the boundaries described below and as depicted on the attached Exhibits A:

Roads affected by the closure area: FR 4000M

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this Order is to protect the public's health and safety during prescribed fire activities.

IMPLEMENTATION:

1. This Order will be in effect when signed, and shall remain in effect until May 31, 2019 or until rescinded, whichever occurs first.
2. Any violation of this prohibition is punishable as a Class B misdemeanor by a fine of not more than \$5,000.00 for individuals and \$10,000.00 for organizations, or by imprisonment for not more than six (6) months, or both. [Title 16 USC 551, Title 18 USC 3559, 3571 and 3581].

Done at Silver City, New Mexico this 1 day of April, 2019.



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