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### **Temporary Emergency Closure on Public Lands in Kern County, California**

#### **Summary:**

Notice is hereby given that a temporary emergency closure is in effect on public lands administered by the Bakersfield and Ridgecrest Field Offices, Bureau of Land Management (BLM). The Pacific Crest Trail is closed between Jawbone Canyon Road and Walker Pass Campground at Highway 178. This closure is for public and firefighter safety in relation to the Erskine Fire and management of that fire.

#### **Dates:**

This temporary emergency closure will be in effect immediately until it is rescinded.

#### **For Further Information Contact:**

Erskine Fire Incident Information, 661-330-0158, [fireinfo@co.kern.ca.us](mailto:fireinfo@co.kern.ca.us).

#### **Supplementary Information:**

This temporary emergency closure affects BLM's portions of the Pacific Crest Trail between Jawbone Canyon Road and Highway 178. The BLM will post closure signs at main entry points to this area. Maps of the affected area and other documents associated with this closure are available at the Bakersfield Field Office, 3801 Pegasus Dr. Bakersfield, CA 93308. Under the authority of Section 303 (a) of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1733 (a)), 43 CFR 8360.0-7, and 43 CFR 8364.1, the BLM will enforce the following rules (s) on Pacific Crest Trail between Highway 178 and Kennedy Meadows.

#### **Prohibitions:**

You must not enter or use Pacific Crest Trail between Jawbone Canyon Road and Walker Pass Campground at Highway 178.

**Exemptions:**

The following persons are exempt from this order: Federal, state, and local officers and employees in the performance of their official duties; members of organized rescue or fire-fighting forces in the performance of their official duties; and persons with written authorization from the BLM.

**Penalties:**

Any person who violates the above rule(s) and/or restriction(s) may be tried before a United States Magistrate and fined no more than \$1,000, imprisoned for no more than 12 months, or both. Such violations may also be subject to the enhanced fines provided for by 18 U.S.C. 3571.

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