

**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
FOREST SERVICE
CORONADO NATIONAL FOREST
DOUGLAS RANGER DISTRICT
TEMPORARY AREA CLOSURE**

PROHIBITIONS:

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. 551 and 36 C.F.R 261.50(a) and (b), the following acts are prohibited within the “restricted area” of the Douglas Ranger District, Coronado National Forest, Cochise County, Arizona, as described in this Order, and as depicted on the attached map hereby incorporated into this order as Exhibit A.

1. Being on National Forest System Road 42 with a motorized vehicle, from the Cave Creek Visitor Center to the closure gate located approximately ½ mile northwest of the Southwestern Research Station. **36 CFR 261.54(e)**
2. Being on National Forest System Roads 42A (Herb Martyr road) and 42E (South Fork Road) with a motorized vehicle. **36 CFR 261.54(e)**
3. Entering or using Idlewilde Campground, Stewart Campground, Sunny Flat Campground, John Hands Day Use Area, and Herb Martyr Day Use Area. **36CFR 261.53 (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 exempting them from the effect of this Order.
2. Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.

RESTRICTED AREA:

The “restricted area” is defined as R 31E T 18S Sections 3, 4, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and R 30E T 18S Sections 12, 13. Closure affects seven (7) miles of road and 5 developed recreation sites in the Cave Creek Recreation Area of the Chiricahua Mountains.

PURPOSE:

To allow for public safety in the Cave Creek Recreation Area after recent flood events have caused significant road damage, recreational site damage, and continued erosion and public safety concerns.

IMPLEMENTATION:

1. This Order will be in effect when signed and shall remain in effect until September 22, 2015, or until rescinded, whichever event occurs first.
2. This Order supersedes, rescinds, and replaces any previous orders prohibiting the same acts covered by this Order.
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 Tucson, Arizona this _____day of September, 2014.

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