

Regional Order No. 20-12
USDA Forest Service
Pacific Southwest Region
Emergency Forest Closure

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. 551 and 36 C.F.R. 261.50(b), and to provide for public safety and protect natural resources, the following acts are prohibited on National Forest System lands within the Pacific Southwest Region. This Order is effective from September 15, 2020, through September 21, 2020.

1. Going into or being upon National Forest System lands within the National Forests listed below.
 - a. Inyo National Forest
 - b. Sierra National Forest
 - c. Sequoia National Forest
 - d. Stanislaus National Forest
 - e. Los Padres National Forest
 - f. Angeles National Forest
 - g. San Bernardino National Forest
 - h. Cleveland National Forest

36 C.F.R. 261.52(e).

2. Being on a National Forest System road within the National Forests listed below.
 - a. Inyo National Forest
 - b. Sierra National Forest
 - c. Sequoia National Forest
 - d. Stanislaus National Forest
 - e. Los Padres National Forest
 - f. Angeles National Forest
 - g. San Bernardino National Forest
 - h. Cleveland National Forest

36 C.F.R. 261.54(e).

3. Being on a National Forest System trail within the National Forests listed below.
 - a. Inyo National Forest
 - b. Sierra National Forest
 - c. Sequoia National Forest
 - d. Stanislaus National Forest
 - e. Los Padres National Forest

- f. Angeles National Forest
- g. San Bernardino National Forest
- h. Cleveland National Forest

36 C.F.R. 261.55(a).

Pursuant to 36 C.F.R. 261.50(e), the following persons are exempt from this Order:

1. Persons with Forest Service Permit No. FS-7700-48 (Permit for Use of Roads, Trails, or Areas Restricted by Regulation or Order), specifically exempting them from this Order
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. Persons with a Forest Service non-special-use written authorization to conduct non-recreational activities, such as harvesting timber or forest products, or grazing livestock.
4. Owners or lessees of land, to the extent necessary to access their land.
5. Residents, to the extent necessary to access their residences.
6. Persons engaged in a business, trade, or occupation are not exempt from the prohibitions listed above, but may use National Forest System roads to the extent necessary to carry out their business, trade, or occupation.

These prohibitions are in addition to the general prohibitions contained in 36 C.F.R. Part 261, Subpart A.

A violation of these prohibitions is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000 for an individual or \$10,000 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than 6 months, or both. 16 U.S.C. 551 and 18 U.S.C. 3559, 3571, and 3581.

Done at Vallejo, California, this 14th day of September 2020.

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Signed by: RANDY MOORE
RANDY MOORE
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