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Notice of Public Closure

Pine Gulch Fire Area Closure Order #COS08000-20-06

For certain public lands managed by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) in Mesa and Garfield Counties, Colorado

This notice rescinds and replaces the closure order issued on September 1, 2020, Order #COS08000-20-05, for BLM-managed lands in the Grand Junction Field Office in Mesa and Garfield Counties within the area of the Pine Gulch Fire.

Pursuant to 43 CFR 8364.1, the BLM is giving notice that BLM-managed lands in the Grand Junction Field Office in Mesa and Garfield Counties as described below are temporarily closed to all entry starting at 12:01 am Friday, September 11, 2020.

This emergency closure is necessary to ensure public safety immediately following a significant wildfire. This order will remain in effect until the BLM and cooperators determine the area is safe to enter at which time this order will be rescinded.

Closure Area Description: Generally described as BLM-managed lands north of Loma, Fruita, Grand Junction and Palisade following the Pine Gulch fire edge for the entire fire area.

Garvey Canyon Road, Coal Gulch Road, and 21 Road are open to the fire edge. Mount Garfield hiking trail remains open to foot travel. The Cameo gate allowing access up Coal Canyon is open, Winter Flats Road (Mesa County V 2/10) is open. Southshale Ridge and Corcoran Peak are open. Brush Creek and Carr Creek Roads (Garfield County 209 and 207) are open. Public Lands North of Roan Creek are open. County Road 256 east of Douglas Pass is open. The North Fruita Desert (18 Road) campground and trails are open, including the Sarlaac Trail. The Edge Loop is open from Chutes and Ladders to the fire edge, but BLM recommends users turn around at Lippan Wash. See attached map. There is no public road access to Barrel Springs Canyon.

Prohibited Acts:

1. You must not enter or use BLM-managed lands described in this order.
2. You must not use the roads or trails in the area described in this order.

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 rules and/or restriction 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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