

ORDER
AREA CLOSURE
SMOKEY BEAR RANGER DISTRICT
LINCOLN NATIONAL FOREST

Pursuant to 36 CFR, section 261.50(a), the following areas are closed to public use in this Order within the Lincoln National Forest on the Smokey Bear Ranger District.

All National Forest Systems Lands North of Highway 70 that is also West of Highway 48 and South of Forest Road 127

The Bonito River Corridor, Forest Road 107
Tanbark Canyon, Forest Road 108
Nogal Canyon, Forest Road 400

Ski Run Road (Forest Road 127) starting at Mile Marker 2, including Oak Grove Campground.

Pursuant to 36 CFR 261.50(e), the following persons are exempted from this order:

- (1) Persons with a permit specifically authorizing the prohibited act of omission
- (2) Any Federal, State, or local Officer or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.
- (3) Persons engaged in a business delivering goods, packages or services to private property or contractors performing services for the government.

Description of Area of Prohibitions

U.S. Forest Service land West of Highway 48 and the Village of Ruidoso include; Grindstone Mesa, Flume Canyon, Sawmill Canyon, Perk Canyon and Brady Canyon. Other areas are Bonito Creek, Upper Eagle Creek, and Nogal Canyon. Areas described in this Order include roads, trails, and campgrounds.

Exceptions

Developed recreation facilities in the Cedar Creek area remain open. This includes the Fitness Trail, Cedar Creek Picnic Area and Pavilion, and the Sam Tobias Group Campgrounds 1, 2, and 3.

This Order becomes effective at 0800A.M. on August 1, 2008 and will remain in effect until further notice.

Done at Alamogordo, New Mexico this 31st day of July 2008

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Jacquie Buchanan", written over a horizontal line.

Jacquie Buchanan

Forest Supervisor

Lincoln National Forest

Violations 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 of not more than six months, or both. (Title 16 U.S.C. 551 and Title 18 U.S.C. 3559 and 3571)