



**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
SANTA FE NATIONAL FOREST
STAGE III FIRE RESTRICTIONS**

PROHIBITIONS

Pursuant to 16 USC 551 and 36 CFR 261.50(a), the following acts are prohibited in the area, roads, and trails within the boundaries of Las Conchas Fire burn area, with the exception of the Valles Caldera National Preserve Area as described in this Order, and as depicted on the attached map hereby incorporated into this Order as Exhibit A (the “restricted area”), within the following counties: Los Alamos, Sandoval, Rio Arriba and Santa Fe within the state of New Mexico.

1. Going into or being upon the restricted area. **36 CFR 261.52 (e)**

EXEMPTIONS

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

1. Persons with a Forest Service permit or letter specifically exempting them from the effect of 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.

RESTRICTED AREA

From the south side of the fire heading west, the following areas are closed:

1. All National Forest System (NFS) lands north of Jemez Indian Reservation and north and east of Forest Road (FR) 266 to the intersection with FR 10.
2. Heading north on FR 10 any NFS lands east of FR10 to the intersection with NM Highway 4.
3. Heading east on NM Highway 4, any NFS lands south of NM Highway 4 to the Las Conchas Trailhead.
4. Following a line directly north to the southern boundary of the Valles Caldera National Preserve, all NFS lands to the south of the Preserve Boundary and east to the boundary with the Bandelier National Monument.
5. Starting at a point on the northern boundary of the Valles Caldera National Preserve, lands east of FR 457 to the junction of FR 144.
6. At the junction of FR 457 and FR144, all lands south of FR 144.
7. At the junction of FR 144 and FR 27 all lands east and south of FR 27 to the Forest boundary with the Abiquiu Land Grant, then all NFS lands south and east of the Grant to the boundary of the Abiquiu Land Grant at Forest Road 31.
7. All NFS lands south and west of FR 31 to its junction with FR 144.
8. Following FR 144 east to the Forest Boundary, all NFS lands south to the boundary with Santa Clara Indian Reservation.
9. All NFS lands within Los Alamos County and Sandoval County north of Highway 4 and west of Highway 501.

AREAS EXEMPT FROM THE RESTRICTED AREA: OPEN AREAS

- TR 287 - Quemazon Trail to Pipeline Road (non-motorized entry only) to trail intersection with Los Alamos
TR 290 - Perimeter Trail from Quemazon Trail north around Los Alamos
TR 69 - Mitchell Trail to Guaje Ridge Trail

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TR 285- Guaje Ridge Trail east from the intersection with Mitchell Trail
All trails east of Mitchell Trail and south of Guaje Ridge Trail
TR 279 - Cabra Loop Trails
TR 286 - Pajarito Trail to the south rim of Guaje Canyon
TR 297 - Rendija Canyon Trail
FR 442 - South rim of Guaje Canyon to Cabra Loop trails
FR 144

PURPOSE

The purpose of this Order is to provide for the public's health and safety and to protect National Forest system lands, resources and facilities during the current period of fire rehabilitation activities.

IMPLEMENTATION




1. This Order will be in effect at 12:01 a.m., Thursday, September 15, 2011, and shall remain in effect until July 30, 2012, or until rescinded, whichever occurs first.
2. Any violation of this prohibition is punishable as a Class B misdemeanor by a fine of not more than \$5,000.00 for individuals and \$10,000.00 for organizations, or by imprisonment for not more than six (6) months, or both. [Title 16 USC 551, Title 18 USC 3559, 3571, and 3581]
3. This Order supersedes, rescinds, and replaces any previous orders prohibiting the same acts covered by the Order.

Done at Santa Fe, New Mexico, this 15th day of September, 2011.



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Santa Fe National Forest and
Valles Caldera National Preserve
Las Conchas Fire Closure Area

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