

### UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE U.S. FOREST SERVICE SANTA FE NATIONAL FOREST JEMEZ RANGER DISTRICT

# **CERRO PELADO FIRE AREA CLOSURE**

## **PROHIBITIONS**

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 551 and 36 C.F.R. § 261.50(a), the following acts are prohibited within the area described in this Order (the "Fire Closure Area") and as depicted on the attached map, hereby incorporated into this Order as Exhibit A, within the Jemez Ranger District, Santa Fe National Forest, Sandoval County, New Mexico.

1. Going into or being upon the Fire Closure Area. 36 C.F.R. §§ 261.52(e) and 261.53(e).

## **EXEMPTIONS**

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

- 1. Persons with a written Forest Service authorization specifically exempting them from the effect of this Order.
- 2. Any Federal, State, or Local Officer, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting resource in the performance of an official duty.

### FIRE CLOSURE AREA

The Fire Closure Area is within Township 16 North, Range 1 East, Section 2; Township 16 North , Range 2 East, Sections 4-9, 13,24,26-29,32,33,36; Township 17 North, Ranger 1 East, Section -10-12; Township 17 North, Range 2 East, Sections 1,2, 11-13,17,18,31,35,36; Township 18 North, Range 2 East, Sections 7,8,16-19,21,28,33; Township 16N, Range 3 East, Sections 1-18, 25-29,31-36; Township 17 North, Range 3 East, Sections 1-36; Township 18 North, Range 3 East, Sections 1,5,6-10, 12-18, 19-24; Township 17 North, Range 4 East, Sections 1-36; Township 18 North, Range 4 East, Sections 1-3, 6-12, 15-17; Township 17 North, Range 5 East, Sections 1-3, 10-15, 22-27, 34-36; Township 18 North, Range 5 East, Sections 10-15. Specifically all Forest Service lands from the west of Bandelier National Monument, and north of Santo Domingo and Zia Pueblo and all lands east of HWY 4 and south of Valles Caldera National Preserve.

### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this Order is to protect public health and safety due to extreme fire danger in the Fire Closure Area.

#### **IMPLEMENTATION**

- 1. This Order will be effective on April 26, 2022, at 12:00 p.m., and shall remain in effect until December 31, 2022, or until rescinded, whichever occurs first.
- 2. A map identifying the Fire Closure Area is attached and made part of this Order as Exhibit A.
- 3. Any violation of this prohibition is punishable as a Class B misdemeanor by a fine of not more than \$5,000 for individuals and \$10,000 for organizations, or by imprisonment for not more than six (6) months, or both (*see* 16 U.S.C. § 551, 18 U.S.C. § 3571(b)(6), 18 U.S.C. § 3581(b)(7)).
- 4. Further information regarding this Order may be obtained at the Jemez Ranger District located in Jemez Springs, New Mexico, telephone number Jemez 575-829-3535, and at the Santa Fe National Forest Supervisor's Office in Santa Fe, New Mexico, telephone number 505 438-5300.
- 5. This Order supersedes any previous Orders prohibiting the same acts covered by this Order.

Done at Santa Fe, New Mexico, this 26<sup>th</sup> day of April 2022.

Debbie Cress Forest Supervisor