Order Number: # WRNF 2023-14



# U.S. Department of Agriculture, U.S. Forest Service White River National Forest Rifle Ranger District

# **Human Entry Closure**

## **PROHIBITIONS**

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 551 and 36 C.F.R § 261.50 (a) and 36 C.F.R § 261.53 (e), the following act is prohibited on all National Forest System lands within the Rifle Ranger District, White River National Forest, described below and shown on the attached map incorporated into this Order as Exhibit A.

### **EXEMPTIONS**

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

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

### **DESCRIBED Area**

Lands include map sections: T7S R94W, T8S R94S and T8S R95W in the White River National Forest. Areas include Cache Creek, Battlement Creek, and Wallace Creek. The Restricted Area is also depicted on the attached map, hereby incorporated into this Order as Exhibit A.

#### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this Order is to protect public health and safety.

#### **IMPLEMENTATION**

1. This Order shall be in effect from June 28, 2023, at 12:01 AM through December 31, 2023, at 12:01 AM, unless rescinded.

- 2. Unless otherwise expressly defined in this Order, the terms used in this Order are defined by the regulations of the Secretary of Agriculture, 36 C.F.R. Chapter II, Parts 200-299. If there are terms in this Order that are not expressly defined in the Order or 36 C.F.R. Chapter II, Parts 200-299, their meaning shall be determined by their plain language definitions.
- 3. A violation of the above prohibitions 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 months, or both. 16 U.S.C. § 551; 18 U.S.C. §§ 3559, 3571, and 3581.
- 4. Contact the Rifle Ranger District in Rifle, Colorado, (970) 625-2371, or the White River National Forest Supervisor's Office in Glenwood Springs, CO, (970) 945-2521, for more information about this Order.

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