

**Order Number: # 01-15-01-23-17**



**U.S. Department of Agriculture, U.S. Forest Service  
Helena-Lewis and Clark National Forest  
Rocky Mountain Ranger District**

**Trail Closure**

**PROHIBITIONS**

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 551 and 36 C.F.R. § 261.50 (b), the following is prohibited on the National Forest System (NFS) trails on the Rocky Mountain Ranger District, Helena-Lewis and Clark National Forest, described below and shown on the attached map incorporated into this Order as Exhibit A (the “Described Trails”):

1. Being on the trail. [36 C.F.R. § 261.55(a)]

**EXEMPTIONS**

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

1. Persons with Forest Service Permit No. FS-7700-48 (Permit for Use of Roads, Trails, or Areas Restricted by Regulation or Order), specifically exempting them from this Order or a written determination by a Forest Service authorized officer that a permit is not required under 36 C.F.R. § 251.50(e)(1) or (2).
2. Any Federal, State, or Local Officer, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting resource in the performance of an official duty.

**DESCRIBED TRAILS**

The following trails along the South Fork of the Two Medicine River and within the identified sections on the map (T29N, R12W, sections 7, 8, 15, 16, 17, 18, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25) (T29N, R13W, sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 10, 11, 12, 13) and (T30N, R13W, sections 28, 29, 31, 32, 33, 34)) are closed due to the Sidney Fire:

- From the intersection of Trail 119 and Trail 101 to the junction of 101 and 133.
- Trails 133, from Summit Trailhead, and Trail 133.1, from Summit Campground, to where these 2 trails join Trail 101.

## PURPOSE

The purpose of this Order is to provide for public safety while firefighting operations are ongoing on the Sidney Fire on the Rocky Mountain Ranger District.

## IMPLEMENTATION

1. This Order shall be in effect from August 3, 2023 at 0600 through December 31, 2023 at 1800, unless rescinded.
2. A map identifying the Described [Area/Roads/Trails] is attached and made part of this Order as Exhibit A. For a digital version of this Order and Exhibit A, go to <https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/hlcnf/alerts-notices>.
3. 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.
4. 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.
5. Contact the Rocky Mountain Ranger District in Choteau, MT, (406) 466-5341, and Helena-Lewis and Clark National Forest Supervisor's Office in Helena, MT, (406) 449-5201, for more information about this Order.
6. This Order supersedes any previous Orders prohibiting the same or similar acts on the same Described Trail.

Signed and issued on 8-7-23.



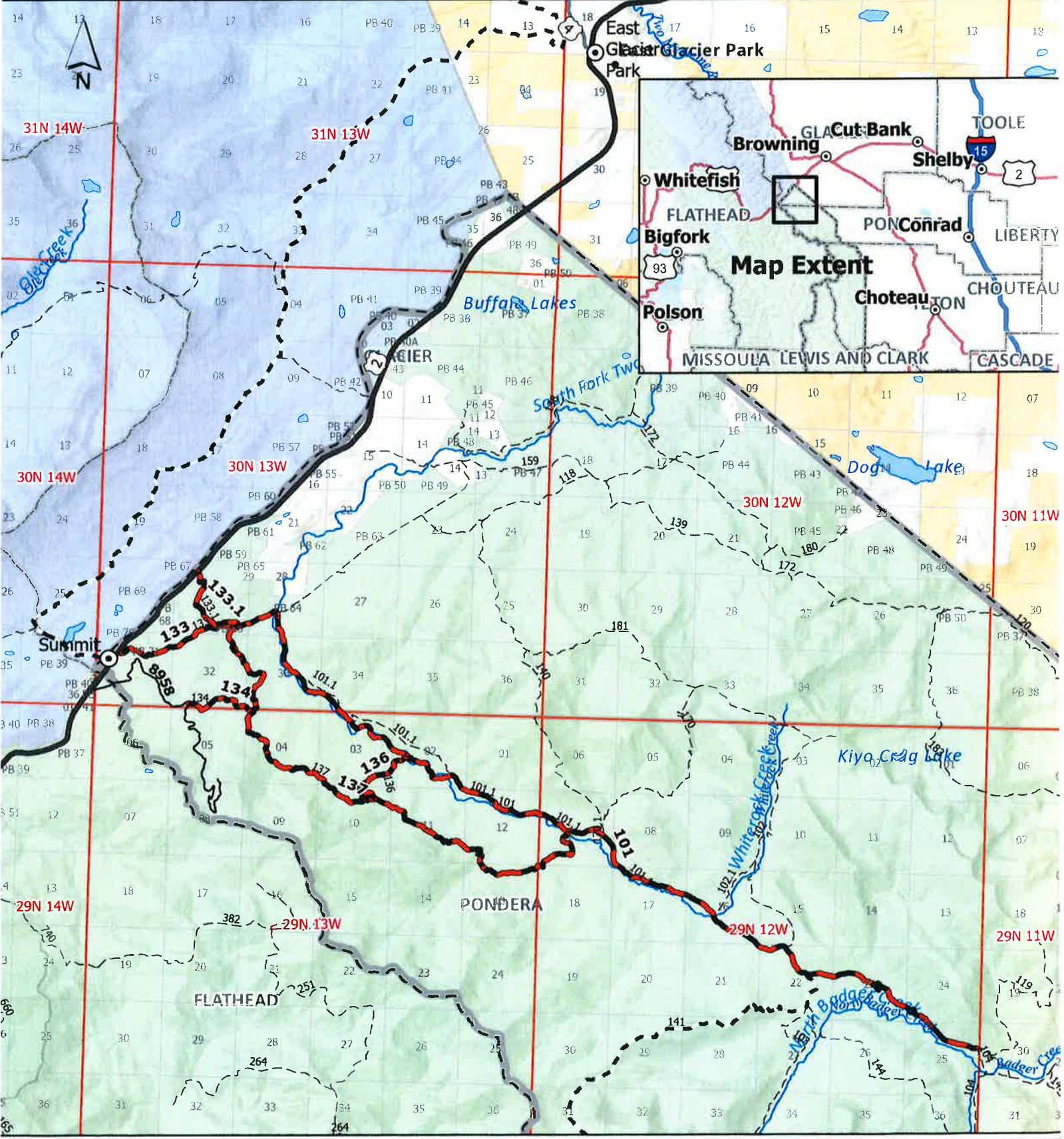
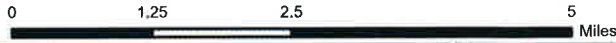
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Forest Supervisor  
Helena-Lewis and Clark National Forest



# Continental Divide Trail Closure Forest Order- # 01-15-01-23-17

Rocky Mountain Ranger District

	City		Forest District Boundary
	Highways		Trail Closure
	NHS NON-INTERSTATE		Trail
	SECONDARY		Continental Divide Trail
	Forest Service Boundary		



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 Helena-Lewis and Clark National Forest, 2880 Skyway Drive, Helena, MT 59602, Phone (406) 449-5201  
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