## SIX RIVERS NATIONAL FOREST USDA FOREST SERVICE FOREST ORDER NO. 10-23-09 SMITH RIVER COMPLEX CLOSURE AREA

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 551 and 36 C.F.R. § 261.50(a) and (b), and to provide for public safety, the following acts are prohibited within the specified areas of the Gasquet Ranger District, Six Rivers National Forest. This Order is effective from September 29, 2023, through November 8, 2023.

- Going into or being upon National Forest System lands within the Smith River Complex Closure Area, as described in Exhibit A, and shown on Exhibit B. 36 C.F.R. § 261.52(e).
- 2. Being on any National Forest System road within the Smith River Complex Closure Area, as described in Exhibit A, and shown on Exhibit B. 36 C.F.R. § 261.54(e).
- 3. Being on any National Forest System trail within the Smith River Complex Closure Area, as described in Exhibit A, and shown on Exhibit B. 36 C.F.R. § 261.55(a).

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.
- 2. Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.
- 3. Owners, lessees, and residents of privately owned land in the area, to the extent necessary to access their land. Recreation residence permit holders are not exempt from this Order.

These prohibitions are in addition to the general prohibitions contained in 36 C.F.R. Part 261, Subpart A.

A violation 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 for not more than six months, or both. 16 U.S.C. § 551 and 18 U.S.C. §§ 3559, 3571, and 3581.

Executed at Eureka, California this 28th day of September 2023.

Ted O. McArthur Forest Supervisor, Six Rivers National Forest

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## EXHIBIT A

- The Smith River Complex Fire Closure Area boundary begins at Gasquet Mountain Road (17N49).
- It continues north along the east side of Gasquet mountain road (17N49) until it intersects with County Road 305.
- It continues north along the east side of County Road 305 until reaches the Oregon border in Section 35, Township 19 South, Range 2 East.
- It continues east along the Oregon border until it intersects County Road 316.
- It then continues southeast along the Gasquet District boundary to the 18N11 road. 18N11 is closed.
- It continues east along 18N11 to Little Sanger Peak in Section 20, Township 18 North, Range 5 East.
- From Little Sanger Peak it follows the Gasquet District boundary south to the intersection of the boundary with the Klamath National Forest at Young's peak in Section 4, Township 17 North, Range 5 East.
- The closure continues south along the Del Norte County and Siskiyou County line to the intersection of the Six Rivers National Forest Ukonom and Orleans Ranger District boundary near Chimney Rock in Section 22, Township 14 North, Range 4 East.
- It continues south and southwest along the boundary of the Gasquet and Orleans Ranger Districts until it intersects with the private land in Section 3, Township 12 North, Range 3 East.
- The boundary continues northwest following the Gasquet District boundary until it reaches the intersection of 14N01D and Red Mountain Road 14N01.
- The boundary then stays on the east side of 14N01 and continues northeast to the intersection with Forest Road 15N13 near Rocky Saddle in Section 2, Township 13 North, Range 2 East.
- The boundary then continues southeast then northeast along the east side of 14N01 on until it intersects the GO-road (15N01).
- The boundary follows the east side of the Gasquet/Orleans Road (GO-Road) north until the intersection with South Fork Road (County Road 427).
- The boundary follows the east side of South Fork Road (County Road 427) northwest around Steven's Bridge River Access. Steven's Bridge River Access is closed.
- The boundary follows the South Fork Smith River and continues northeast until it reaches the northwest corner of Section 30 and southwest corner of Section 19, Township 16 North, Range 2 East.
- The boundary continues north until it intersects French Hill Road (17N26, County Road 411).
- The boundary follows the south side of French Hill Road (17N26, County Road 411) east until it intersects with the southwest corner of Section 28 and 29, Range 2 East, Township 17 North.
- The boundary then goes north crossing Highway 199 to the Middle Fork of the Smith River.
- The boundary then follows the north bank of the Middle Fork Smith River to the beginning of the closure boundary at Gasquet Mountain Road (17N49).

