



**U.S. Department of Agriculture, U.S. Forest Service
San Juan National Forest
Pagosa Ranger District**

Quartz Ridge Fire 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) trail in the Pagosa Ranger District, San Juan National Forest, described below and shown on the attached map incorporated into this Order as Exhibit A (the “Described Trail”):

1. Being on the Described 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 force in the performance of an official duty.

DESCRIBED TRAILS

The Described Trail is in Archuleta County, Colorado and includes the entirety of NFS Trail 571 (Quartz Creek Trail). The Described Trail is in Sections 4, 9, 14, 15, 16, 22, 23, and 26, Townships 35 and 36 North, Range 2 East, New Mexico P.M.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this Order is to protect public health and safety during the ongoing Quartz Ridge Fire.

IMPLEMENTATION

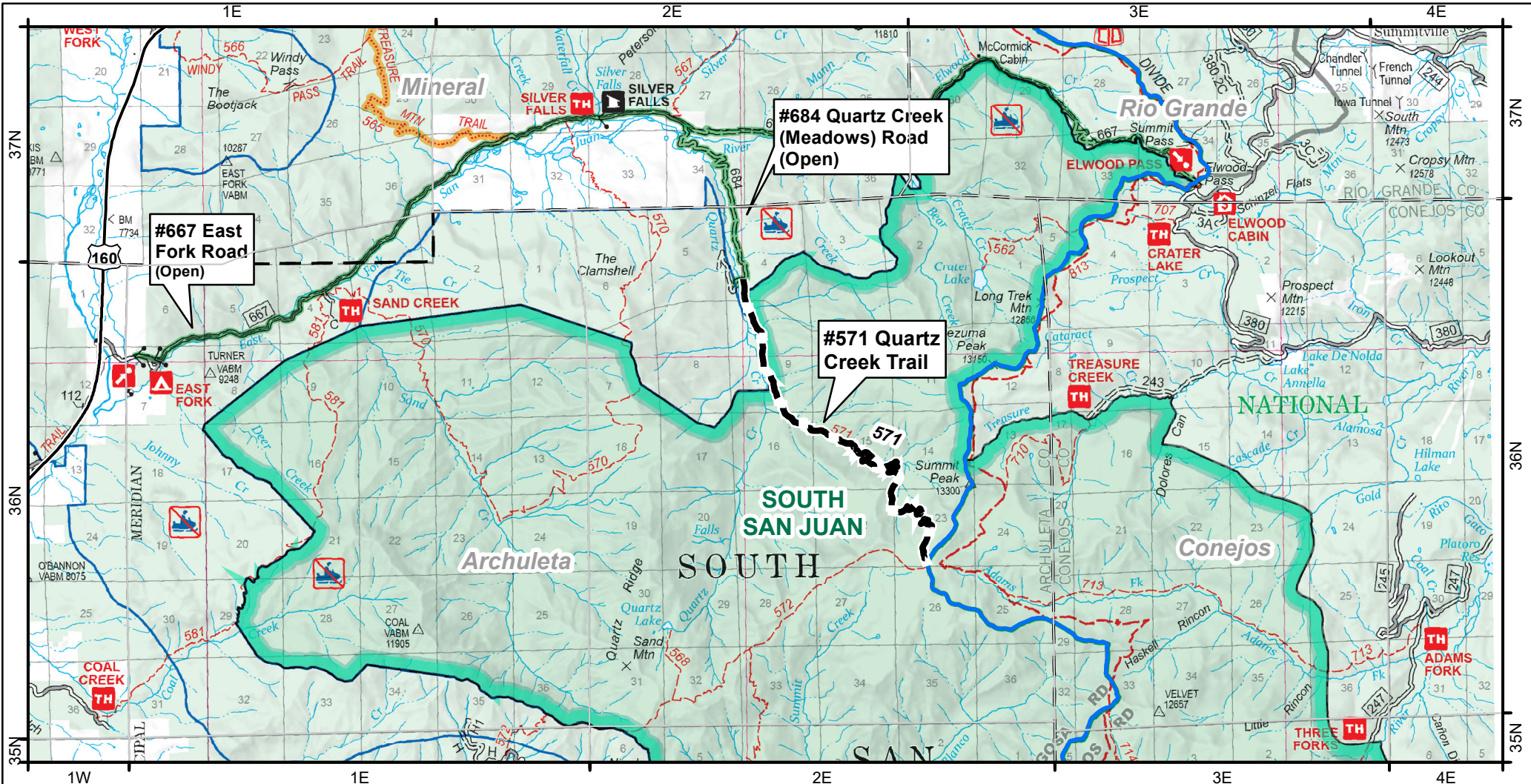
1. This Order shall be in effect from September 27, 2023, at 12:00 a.m. through December 31, 2023, at 5:00 p.m., unless rescinded.
2. A map identifying the Described Trail is attached and made part of this Order as Exhibit A. For a digital version of this Order and Exhibit A, go to <https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/sanjuan/alerts-notice>.

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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 Pagosa Ranger District in Pagosa Springs, Colorado, (970) 264-2268, and the San Juan National Forest Supervisor's Office in Durango, Colorado, (970) 247-4874, for more information about this Order.
6. This Order supersedes Order No. 02-13-06-23-06.

Signed and issued on September 27, 2023.

Forest Supervisor



Described Trail
 Wilderness Area

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 Pagosa Ranger District
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 Exhibit A
QUARTZ RIDGE FIRE CLOSURE

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