



**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
U.S. FOREST SERVICE
SANTA FE NATIONAL
FOREST
COYOTE RANGER DISTRICT**

INDIOS FIRE AREA, ROAD, AND TRAIL CLOSURE

PROHIBITIONS

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 551 and 36 C.F.R. § 261.50(a) and (b), the following are prohibited on the National Forest System (NFS) lands and roads, and trails in the Coyote Ranger District, Santa Fe National Forest, described below and shown on the attached map incorporated into this Order as Exhibit A (the "Described Area/Roads/Trails"):

1. Going into or being upon the Described Areas. 36 C.F.R. § 261.53(e).
2. Being on the Described Roads. 36 C.F.R. § 261.54(e).
3. Being on the Described Trails. 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.
3. Landowners who need to cross NFS lands or roads in the closure area in order to access their private property.
4. Persons with proof of reservation who need to cross NFS lands or roads in the closure area in order to access the Monastery.

DESCRIBED AREA/ROADS/TRAILS

- Specifically, the Described Area includes all National Forest System lands within the boundary of the Coyote Ranger District starting from the Continental Divide trail #298 at Highway 96 going north across Forest Road 77, through the Chama River Canyon Wilderness to Skull Bridge (Ojitos Trail head) on Forest Road 151.
- Forest Road 8 from the Forest Boundary and State Highway 96 north to the Chama River Wilderness boundary at Forest Road 8Z;
- Forest Road 77 from the Forest boundary and County Road 418 east to the Chama River Canyon Wilderness boundary.
- The Chama River Canyon Wilderness south of Rio Gallina and south of Rio Chama.

- Fire Camp 103, including Forest Service lands surrounding Forest Road 103 from the junction of State Highway 96 to the CDT trail; and Forest Service Lands surrounding Forest Road 76 from Forest Road 103 junction to 1000 yards west and south to the Continental Divide Trail.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this Order is to protect public health and safety and the safety of the general public and all personnel working the fire.

IMPLEMENTATION

1. This Order shall be in effect from May 30, 2024, at 11:00 a.m. through December 31, 2024, at 12:00 a.m., unless rescinded.
2. A map identifying the Described Areas/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/santafe/alerts-notice>.
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 Coyote Ranger District in Coyote, (575) 638-5526 Santa Fe National Forest Supervisor's Office in Santa Fe, (505) 438-5300, for more information about this Order.
6. This Order supersedes any previous Orders prohibiting the same or similar acts on the same Described Areas/Roads/Trails.

Signed and issued on 30 day of May 2024.

Shaun Sanchez
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Santa Fe National Forest