

**Order Number: # 01-15-14-24-17**



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

**Area/Road/Trail Closure – Black Mountain Fire**

**PROHIBITIONS**

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 551 and 36 C.F.R. § 261.50(a), (b), the following are prohibited on the National Forest System (NFS) area, roads, and trails in the Lincoln 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 Area/Roads/Trails”):

1. To go into or be upon any area which is closed for the protection of public health and safety 36 C.F.R. § 261.53 (e).
2. Being on the trail. 36 C.F.R. § 261.55(a).
3. Being on the road. 36 C.F.R. § 261.54(e).

**EXEMPTIONS**

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

1. Owners or lessees of land within the closure area.
2. Residents within the closure area.
3. 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).
4. Any Federal, State, or Local Officer, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting resource in the performance of an official duty.

**DESCRIBED AREA/ROADS/TRAILS**

This closure applies to the following NFS lands, roads, and trails approximately 4 miles northwest

of Lincoln, MT. The area closure begins at the Forest Service System Lands boundary from the Meridian Longitude, T15N R9W, following North to the Stonewall Mountain ridgeline and trail #417, following west/southwest Stonewall Creek Trailhead #607, following south and west to the intersection of Road #4106 and following that west/northwest past Arrastra Creek Trailhead to the intersection of Dry Creek Trailhead and the Forest Service boundary at T15N, R10W and following South and West along that Forest Service Boundary until it intersects with the Meridian longitude line again.

1. Trail Closures. All miles of Forest Service System trails:

- Lincoln Ranger District: 607, 607H, 607D, 607E, 607F, 607C, 626, 4040, 4043, 417, 4106A, 819, 820, 485, 1824, 1824B, 1824D, 1824F

2. Road Closures. Forest Service System roads:

- Lincoln Ranger District: 4106, 607, 1824, 4043

3. Area Closure. All of the National Forest System lands surrounding the Black Mountain Fire noted below:

- T15N, R10W sections, 20-29, 32-36; T15N, R9W sections 22-27, 29-36; T14N, R10W sections 1-4, 10-13, 24, T14N, R9W 5-8, 17, 18, 20, 29

## PURPOSE

The purpose of this Order is for public safety due to wildfire and active fire suppression activities.

## IMPLEMENTATION

1. This Order shall be in effect from 12:01 a.m. on July 30, 2024 through December 31, 2024, 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 Exhibit A, go to <https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/hlcnf/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 Lincoln Ranger District in Lincoln, MT, (406) 362-7000, 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 in the same Described Area/Roads/Trails.

Signed and issued on July 30, 2024.



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Forest Supervisor  
Helena-Lewis and Clark National Forest



Legend

Closures

- Site
- Road/Trail
- Closure Area

Ownership

- Local Government
- State of Montana
- US Bureau of Land Management
- US Forest Service
- Administrative Forest Boundary

