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Sierra National Forest Updates Forest Orders to Enhance Safety and Fire Management

CLOVIS, Calif., July 3, 2024- The Sierra National Forest (SNF) is updating three Forest Orders that supersede previous orders issued in late June 2024. These revised orders are intended to ensure public safety and allow for the continued enjoyment of public lands while effectively managing ongoing fire activities. **Effective July 5, 2025.**

Updated Forest Orders:

1. Forest Order 05-15-52-24-15 - Basin Fire Closure
Supersedes: Forest Order 05-15-52-24-13

Key Change: This order now includes an exemption for persons with a Forest Service Permit, allowing them to access areas within the closure. Boundary now encompasses portions of the 10S02, 10S04, 10S05 and includes the Bretz Mill Campground on the western side of the fire closure area.

2. Forest Order 05-15-00-24-16 - Fire Restrictions
Supersedes: Forest Order 05-15-00-24-14

Key Change: Bald Mountain Base Camp has been determined fire safe by fire personnel and has been identified as a temporary designated recreation site. Its boundaries are identified on Exhibit C map, located at <https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/sierra/alerts-notice>

3. Forest Order 05-15-00-24-17 - Recreation Site, Road, and Trail Closure
Supersedes: Forest Order 05-15-00-24-12

Key Change: As of July 4, 2024, and due to the passage of time and changing conditions, the Isberg and Mammoth Trails are closed for hazard tree mitigation operations in that area. Additional closures due to the current Basin Fire can be referenced in Forest Order No. 05-15-52-24-15.

These changes are part of our ongoing efforts to align with our partners and ensure the safety of the public and firefighting personnel, while maximizing public accessibility to the SNF, to the extent practicable.

The closure orders will remain in effect until further notice. Frequently, updated orders are issued to take routes and locations off the closure list. We urge the public to respect all closure signs and barriers and

avoid the affected areas to prevent any potential accidents or interference with firefighting efforts. Please visit: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/sierra/alerts-notices> to view the updated versions.

We appreciate your cooperation and understanding during this critical time. Updates and further information will be provided as the situation develops. For additional information, please contact your local Ranger Station or visit our website.

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