Forest Order No. 0513-24-16

USDA FOREST SERVICE PACIFIC SOUTHWEST REGION SEQUOIA NATIONAL FOREST

Borel Fire Piute Mountains Area, Trails and Roads Closure

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 Kern River Ranger District of the Sequoia National Forest. This Order is effective from August 12, 2024, through August 26, 2024.

- 1. Going into or being upon any National Forest System lands within the Borel Fire Piute Mountains Area Closure, as described in Exhibit A and shown on the attached map. 36 C.F.R. § 261.52(e).
- 2. Being on any National Forest System trails within the Borel Fire Piute Mountains Area Closure, as described in Exhibit A and shown on the attached map. 36 C.F.R. § 261.55(a).
- 3. Being on any National Forest System roads within the Borel Fire Piute Mountains Area Closure, as described in Exhibit A and shown on the attached map. 36 C.F.R § 261.54(e).
- 4. Entering or using any Developed Recreation Sites within the Borel Fire Piute Mountains Area Closure, as described in Exhibit A and shown on the attached map. 36 C.F.R. § 261.58(b)

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 or lessees of land in the area, to the extent necessary to access their property.

These prohibitions are in addition to the general prohibitions 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 6 months, or both. 16 U.S.C. § 551 and 18 U.S.C. §§ 3559, 3571, and 3581.

Executed in Porterville, California, this 8th day of August 2024.

ANTHONY EDWARDS Forest Supervisor Sequoia National Forest

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Exhibit A

The Borel Fire Piute Mountains Area Closure begins at the northwest corner of Section 30, Township 27 South, Range 33 East, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian, then continues approximately 47 miles around the Sequoia National Forest Boundary to the starting point.

