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Notice of Public Closure

Turner Gulch Fire and Wright Draw Fire Area Closure Order #COG01000-25-02 For BLM managed lands in Mesa County, Colorado

Pursuant to 43 CFR 8364.1, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is giving notice that BLM lands in Mesa County within and adjacent to the areas of the Turner Gulch Fire and Wright Draw Fire as described below are temporarily closed to all unauthorized entry. Please also see attached map.

This emergency closure is necessary to ensure public and fire fighter safety during firefighting activities and initial suppression rehabilitation efforts. The order is effective immediately and will remain in effect until the Turner Gulch and Wright Draw Fires are declared controlled or until this order is rescinded.

<u>Closure Area Description:</u> This closure affects all BLM lands in Unaweep Canyon in the following areas:

- 1) South of Highway 141; east of the Niche Road; west of the Divide Road, and North of the Grand Mesa Uncompanier and Gunnison National Forest boundary;
- 2) North of Highway 141; east of the Palisade; west of the intersection of Highway 141 and the Divide Road, and south of the boundary with private land on Glade Park.

Legal Land Description:

6th Principal Meridian

T. 14 S., R. 100 W., Secs. 15-21 and 29-32

T. 14 S., R. 101 W., Secs. 12, 13, and 22-36

T. 14 S., R. 102 W., Secs. 29-36

T. 14 S., R. 103 W., Secs. 25-28 and 32-36

T. 14 S., R. 104 W., Sec. 36

T. 15 S., R. 100 W., Sec. 5

T. 15 S., R. 101 W., Secs. 5 and 6

T. 15 S., R. 102 W., Secs. 1-13 and 15

T. 15 S., R. 103 W., Secs. 1-31 and 33-36

T. 15 S., R. 104 W., Secs. 1, 12, 13, 24, 25, 35, and 36

New Mexico Principal Meridian

T. 51 N., R. 19 W., Secs. 10, 11, 14, 15, and 16

Prohibited Acts:

- 1. You must not enter or use BLM lands described in this order.
- 2. You must not use the roads or trails in the area described in this order.

<u>Exemptions</u>: The following persons are exempt from this order: Federal, state, and local officers and employees in the performance of their official duties; members of organized rescue or fire-fighting forces in the performance of their official duties; and persons with written authorization from the BLM.

<u>Penalties:</u> Any person who violates the above rules and/or restriction may be tried before a United States Magistrate and fined no more than \$1,000, imprisoned for no more than 12 months, or both. Such violations may also be subject to the enhanced fines provided for by 18 U.S.C. 3571

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