



U.S. Department of Agriculture, U.S. Forest Service

**San Juan National Forest
Dolores Ranger District**

Stoner Mesa Fire Area, Trail and Road Closure

PROHIBITIONS

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 551 and 36 C.F.R. § 261.50(b), the following is prohibited on National Forest System (NFS) areas, trails and roads in the Dolores Ranger District, San Juan National Forest, described below and shown on the attached map incorporated into this Order as Exhibit A (the "Described Area, Trail and Roads"):

1. Entering or being in the Described Area. 36 C.F.R. §§ 261.52(e).
2. Being on the Described Road. 36 C.F.R. §§ 261.54(e).
3. Being on the Described Trail. 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 force in the performance of an official duty.

DESCRIBED ROADS, TRAILS AND AREAS

The Described Area, Roads and Trails are in the Stoner Mesa and Taylor Mesa area in Montezuma and Dolores Counties, Colorado.

The Described Roads are NFS Roads 545,201,547,555,864, 692,592 (NW of Priest Gulch trail within the closure area) and 545J (Taylor Mesa Roads); NFS Road 686 and 875 (Stoner Mesa Roads).

The Described Trails are the NFS Trails 627 (Spring Creek), 738 (Loading Pen), 205 (Litle Taylor), 624 (Stoner Mesa), 739 (West Twin Springs), 741 (East Twin Springs), 625 (Stoner Creek), 620 (Eagle Peak). The entirety of the Calico and Priest Gulch Trails are open.

The areas described are in Sections:

- T.38N., R.12W., Sections: 3 - 6 & 9
- T.38N., R.13W., Sections: 1- 6, 9 - 12
- T.38N., R.14W., Section 1
- T.39N., R.11W., Sections: 5 - 6
- T.39N., R.12W., Sections: 1 – 12, & 14 - 23, & 26 - 35
- T.39N., R.13W., Sections: 1 - 3, & 8 – 36
- T.39N., R.14W., Sections: 24, 25, & 36
- T.40N., R.11W., Sections: 20, & 28-33
- T.40N., R.12W., Sections: 20 - 21 & 25 - 36
- T.40N., R.13W., Sections: 23 – 26, & 35 - 36
- N.M.P.M.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this Order is to protect public health and safety from hazardous conditions created by the Stoner Mesa Fire.

IMPLEMENTATION

1. This Order shall be in effect from September 3, 2025, at 12:00 a.m. through December 31, 2025, at 12:00 a.m., unless rescinded.
2. A map identifying the Described Road and 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/sanjuan/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 Dolores Ranger District in Dolores, Colorado, (970) 882-7296, and the San Juan National Forest Supervisor’s Office in Durango, Colorado, (970) 247-4874, for more information about this Order.
6. This Order supersedes any previous Orders prohibiting the same or similar acts on the same Described Road and Trails including order number 02-13-05-25-16.

Signed and issued on:

9/3/2025

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Steven Hattenbach
Forest Supervisor
Signed by: STEVEN HATTENBACH



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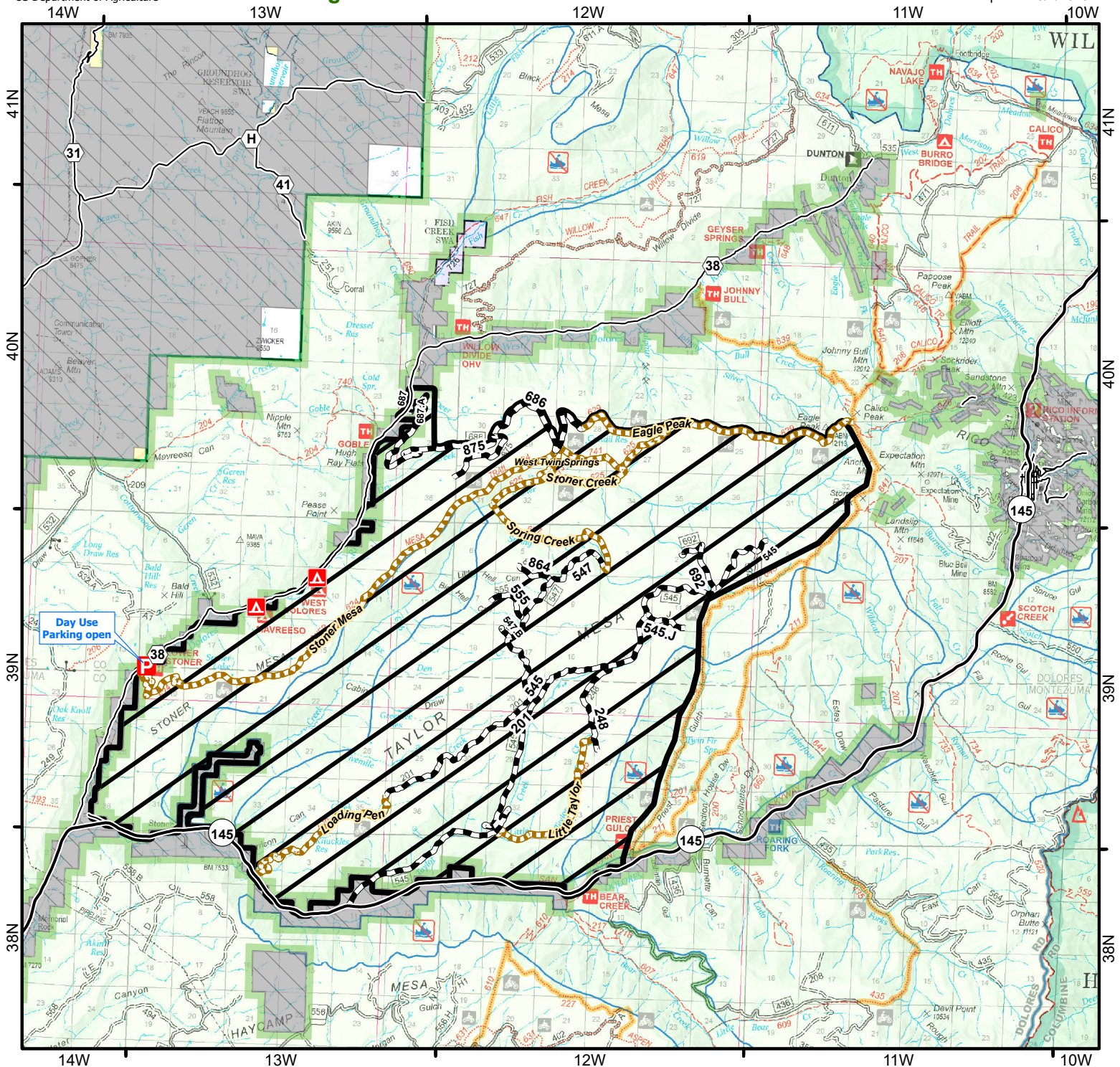
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Exhibit A

Order Number: 02-13-05-25-17

Map Date: 9/2/2025



-  Described Area
-  Described Road
-  Described Trail

- OWNERSHIP**
-  National Forest System Land
 -  Private Land

