

**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
FOREST SERVICE
COCONINO NATIONAL FOREST
FLAGSTAFF RANGER DISTRICT**

FLAGSTAFF WATERSHED PROTECTION PROJECT AREA CLOSURE

PROHIBITIONS:

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. 551, and 36 CFR § 261.50(a) and (b), the following acts are prohibited on the roads and in the trails and areas described in this Order (the “Restricted Area”), and as depicted on the attached map, hereby incorporated into this Order as Exhibit A, all within the Flagstaff Ranger District, Coconino National Forest, Coconino County, Arizona:

PROHIBITIONS:

1. Going into or being upon the Restricted Area; 36 CFR § 261.53(e)
2. Being on the road; 36 CFR § 261.54(e)
3. Being on a trail; 36 CFR § 261.55(a)

EXEMPTIONS:

Pursuant to 36 CFR § 261.50(e), the following persons are exempt from this Order:

1. Persons with a Forest Service permit specifically exempting them from the effect of this Order.
2. Any Federal, State or Local Officer or member of an organized firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.

AREA DESCRIBED:

This Order applies to National Forest System lands, roads, and trails within the following boundary:

Beginning at the intersection of Private land and the eastern side of FR 420;

Thence northerly along the east side of FR 420 to the junction of FR 420 and FR 743;

Thence easterly along the south side of FR 743 to the intersection of FR743 and the Section line between T 22 N R 7 E Section 13 and T22N R 8 E Section 18;

Thence Southerly along the Section line between T 22 N R 7 E Section 24 and T22N R 8 E Section 19, T 22 N R 7 E Section 25 and T22N R 8 E Section 30 to the section corner of T 22 N R 7 E Section 36 and T 22 N R 8 E Section 31;

Thence westerly along the section line between T 22 N R 7 E Section 36 and T 21 N R 7 E Section 1, T 22 N R 7 E Section 35 and T 21 N R 7 E Section 2 to the junction of the Section 33/34 section line to the private land boundary;

Thence westerly along the National Forest boundary and the private land boundary.

Forest Road (FR) 420, FR 9128 Y, FR 743 and the Shultz Creek Trailhead remain closed.

Brook Bank, Little Bear, Little Elden Springs Trail between Little Bear and Schultz Tank, Rocky Ridge, Schultz Creek Trail, Schultz Loop, Sunset, Upper Oldham and the Arizona National Scenic trail section within the above identified area and as shown on Exhibit A are closed.

This area, road, and trail closure only affects National Forest System land, roads, and trails within the closure area on the Coconino National Forest. The closure does not affect any private, state, county, or other Non-National Forest System lands within the closure boundary of the Gila and Salt River meridian as shown on the attached map, Exhibit A.

PURPOSE:

This Order is necessary to protect public health and safety due to ongoing logging and thinning operations pursuant to the Flagstaff Watershed Protection Project.

IMPLEMENTATION:

1. This Order will be in effect when signed and shall remain in effect until December 7, 2020, or until rescinded, whichever occurs first.
2. This Order rescinds, replaces and supersedes any previous Orders prohibiting the same acts covered by this Order in that area addressed in Exhibit.
3. Any violation of these prohibitions is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000.00 for individuals and \$10,000.00 for organizations and/or imprisonment for not more than six (6) months. [Title 16 USC 551, Title 18 USC 3571(b) (6), Title 18 USC 3581 (b) (7)].

Done at Flagstaff, Arizona, this 23rd day of January, 2019

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See Map Labeled Exhibit A