UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
FOREST SERVICE
BOISE NATIONAL FOREST
MOUNTAIN HOME RANGER DISTRICT

AREA and TRAIL CLOSURE

Elk and Pony Fires – Version #6

For Public Safety

PROHIBITIONS:

Pursuant to 36 CFR § 261.50 (a) and (b), the following act is prohibited on all lands as described in this order, within the Mountain Home Ranger District, Boise National Forest. This order will go into effect when signed and shall remain in effect until further notice.

1. Going into or being upon the Dog Creek Area (as described below). **36 CFR 261.53(e)**
2. Going into or being upon the Danskin Area with a motorized or mechanized vehicle (as described below). **36 CFR 261.53(e)**
3. Using any type of motorized or mechanized vehicle on the Wilson Trail System (as described below). **36 CFR 261.55(b)**
4. Being in the South Fork Boise River Day Use Area (as described below) after sundown or before sunrise. **36 CFR 261.58(l)**

EXEMPTIONS:

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

1. Persons with a special use authorization or other Forest Service authorization specifically exempting them from the effect of this order;
2. Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty; and
3. Federal or State administrative personnel in the performance of an official duty.

AREA DESCRIPTION:

Dog Creek Area: Closed to all public entry (i.e. Pedestrian, Stock, Highway Legal Vehicles, OHVs, Snowmobiles, Bicycles, etc.)
All National Forest System (NFS) Lands (including all roads and trails within the area) beginning at the Green Creek Trailhead (NFS Trail #270) located in Township 2 North, Range 10 East, Section 5 then continuing Northwesterly along (and including) NFS Trail #270 to the trails junction with NFS Trail #172 (Crosscut Trail) located in Township 3 North, Range 9 East Section 23; then continuing Southerly along (but not including) NFS Trail #172 to the junction of NFS Trails #172 and #177 (Camp Creek Trail) located in Township 2 North, Range 9 East,

Section 3; then continuing Southerly along (but not including) NFS Trail #177 to the Trails junction with Forest Road 128 (Camp Creek Trailhead) located in Township 2 North, Range 9 East, Section 26; then continuing Easterly approximately ¼ mile to the top of Bird Gulch; then continuing Easterly into and down the bottom of Bird Gulch (Bird Creek) to the junction of Bird Gulch and Forest Road128 (near Pine, Idaho) located in Township 2 North, Range 10 East, Section 31; then continuing Northerly along (but not including) Forest Road 128 to the Junction of Forest Road 128 and Forest Highway 61 (Pine-Featherville Highway) located in Pine, Idaho; then continuing Northerly along (but not including) Forest Highway 61 back to the point of origin.

Danskin Area: Closed to all motorized and mechanized vehicles (i.e. Highway Legal Vehicles, OHVs, Snowmobiles, Bicycles, etc.)
All NFS lands (including all roads and trails within the area) beginning at the intersection of Forest Road 189 (Upper Black's Creek Road) and the Boise National Forest boundary, located in Township 2 North, Range 4 East, Section 13; then continuing Northeasterly along (but not including) Forest Road 189 to Neal Bridge, located in Township 3 North, Range 6 East, Section 34; then continuing Southeasterly along the Southern shore of the South Fork Boise River to its junction with Forest Road 131 (Cow Creek); then along (and not including) Forest Road 131 to the Forest Boundary located on the Southern edge of Township 1 South, Range 7 East, Section 12; then following the Forest Administrative Boundary Westerly back to the point of origin located at Township 2 North, Range 4 East, Section 13.

Wilson Trail System: Closed to all motorized and mechanized vehicles (i.e. Highway Legal Vehicles, OHVs, Snowmobiles, Bicycles, etc.)
National Forest System Trails 606, 607, 609, 611, and 612 that are accessed from the Wilson Trail System Trailhead located in Township 1 North, Range 9 East, Section 31.

South Fork Boise River Day Use Area: Closed to all public entry (i.e. Pedestrian, Stock, Highway Legal Vehicles, OHVs, Snowmobiles, Bicycles, etc.) after sundown and before sunrise
All NFS Lands (including all National Forest System roads and trails within the area) within ¼ mile of the South Fork Boise River/Anderson Ranch Reservoir (both sides) beginning at Castle Creek located in Township 1 North, Range 9 East, Section 21 and continuing downstream to Danskin Bridge located in Township 1 North, Range 7 East, Section 24.

The above described Areas (including all roads and trails within the area) and Trails are located on National Forest System lands within the administrative and proclaimed boundaries of the Mountain Home Ranger District, Boise National Forest, Elmore County, Idaho, Boise Meridian.

PURPOSE:

The areas and trails, as described above, have ongoing hazards associated with recent wildfire activity (Elk and Pony Fires). These areas and trails are closed for public safety and protection from hazards associated with past wildfires. In addition, the South Fork Boise River Day Use Area, identified above, is designated as a day use area because of hazards associated with possible flash floods.

IMPLEMENTATION:

1. This order will go into effect when signed and shall remain in effect until further notice.
2. A map identifying the closure area and roads is attached and made part of this order.
3. Violation of the above prohibition is punishable by a fine of not more than $5,000.00 for an individual, or $10,000.00 for an organization, and/or imprisonment for not more than six (6) months. 16 U.S.C. §551; 18 U.S.C. §§ 3571(b)(6), 3581 (b)(7).
4. This order supersedes any previous order(s) prohibiting the same, or similar acts prohibited by this order in the areas (and/or roads, trails) covered by this order.
5. Further information regarding this order may be obtained at the Mountain Home Ranger District located in Mountain Home, ID, telephone number (208) 587-7961, and at the Boise National Forest Supervisor's Office in Boise, ID, telephone number (208) 373-4100.

Done at Boise, Idaho this 7 day of November, 2013.

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