

## **EMERGENCY CLOSURE ORDER**

Bureau of Land Management California

Intermittent EMERGENCY CLOSURE OF parts of the Keysville Special Recreation Management Area

## **February 1, 2021**

**Action:** Pursuant to Section 303 (a) of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1733 (a)), 43 CFR 8360.0-7, and 43 CFR 8364.1 to 43 CFR 9268.3 and 43 CFR 8364.1, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) hereby provides notice that effective February 1, 2021, the public lands described below will be closed to all forms of public access during periods in which blasting work is being performed in association with the <u>U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Isabella Lake Dam Safety Modification Project</u>. This action is needed for public and worker safety.

The intermittent closure of this area may occur Monday-Friday from 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. Closures will typically last less than two hours and are expected to occur sporadically through October 2021.

**Affected Area:** Parts of the Keysville Special Recreation Management Area. The area is located approximately 5 miles North of the town of Lake Isabella just west of Hwy 155. The recreation area is located in Kern County. See attached map for specific closure area.

**Prohibitions:** The public must not enter the closure area. All uses within the closure area are prohibited. Exceptions to these prohibitions are noted below under Supplemental Information.

**Dates:** This closure is effective February 1, 2021 and will remain in effect until such time as conditions allow for safe use of the public lands.

**Supplemental Information:** The following persons are exempt from the provisions of this Order:

- Any Federal, State, or Local Officer, or member of an organized medical, rescue or firefighting force engaged in fire, emergency, or law enforcement activities, or public utility employees engaged in emergency repairs.
- 2. BLM employees, contractors, or agents engaged in official duties:
- 3. Individuals operating within the scope of their official and legitimate governmental duties.
- 4. Parties who carry written approval signed by the BLM Authorized Officer allowing access to the described public lands.

**Penalties:** Any person who violates this may be tried before a United States Magistrate and fined in accordance with 18 U.S.C. 3571, imprisoned for no more than 12 months, or both. Vehicles found in violation of this order may be removed.

**Effective:** This Order is effective immediately upon signature.

Signed by:

GABRIEL GARCIA

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