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Notice of Public Closure

Turner Gulch and Wright Draw Fire Area Closure Order #COG01000-25-03

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 area of the Turner Gulch and Wright Draw Fires as described below are temporarily closed to all unauthorized entry. Please also see attached map.

This emergency closure is necessary to ensure public and firefighter safety during firefighting activities and 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and will remain in effect until the Turner Gulch and Wright Draw Fires are declared controlled or until this order is rescinded.

This closure order allows public access to some areas closed under previous orders. The burned landscape, including vegetation, remains dynamic and unpredictable as it naturally recovers from the fire impacts. Public users are reminded to maintain extra caution and vigilance while inside the recovering burned areas as the natural recovery process continues to change existing landscape conditions. The public is reminded that all laws protecting public lands and resources from damage or unauthorized use remain in place.

Closure Area Description. This closure order modifies the closure described in order #COG01000-25-02 to the following: This closure affects all contiguous BLM lands in the vicinity of Unaweep Canyon that are east of the Palisade to the north of Highway 141 near Fish Creek and east of the Casto Draw to the south of Highway 141, as bounded by private land and the boundary of Grand Mesa Uncompahgre and Gunnison National Forest.

6th Principal Meridian

T. 14 S., R. 104 W., sec. 36;
T. 14 S., R. 103 W., secs. 25 through 28 and 32 through 36;
T. 14 S., R. 102 W., secs. 29 through 31;
T. 15 S., R. 104 W., secs. 1, 12, 13, 24, 25, and 36;
T. 15 S., R. 103 W., secs. 1 through 31, and 33 through 36;
T. 15 S., R. 102 W., secs. 6 through 9.

New Mexico Principal Meridian

T. 51 N., R. 19 W., secs. 10 and 11, and secs. 14 through 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.

Exemptions: 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. Penalties: 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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