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FIRE PREVENTION ORDER - TEMPORARY CAMPGROUND CLOSURE June 11, 2020

Five Mile Campground on the Dalton Highway, Alaska

Location: Five Mile Campground, located five miles north of the Yukon River bridge west of the Dalton Highway, Alaska: Township 13 North, Range 11 West, Section 26, Fairbanks Meridian.

Order: Effective immediately from the date of this order, the campground will be temporarily closed to all public access for use by firefighters working to suppress the Isom Creek fire. Entering the campground beyond the artesian well on the north side of the campground driveway is prohibited without written authorization from the BLM Authorized Officer, except by persons engaged in performance of official duties in fire suppression, law enforcement, emergency response, or land management, or unless escorted by such an official. Use of the artesian well to fill containers is allowed provided such use does not interfere with firefighter access to the campground.

Dates: This temporary closure on public access will remain in effect from June 11, 2020 until such time as occupancy of the campground by firefighting forces is no longer required. The BLM will provide appropriate public notification when public access restrictions are lifted.

Supplemental Information: The temporary closure order will be posted in the BLM Fairbanks District Public Room, at the campground entry point at Mile 60 of the Dalton Highway, at the BLM Yukon River Visitor Contact Station at mile 55 of the Dalton Highway, at the Yukon Crossing café at mile 55 of the Dalton Highway, at the Interagency Visitors Center in Coldfoot, and at the Coldfoot Services café in Coldfoot. The closure will be enforced by wildland fire suppression and law enforcement personnel. Copies of the closure order will be available at the BLM Fairbanks District Office. The closure will also be publicized on the BLM website and distributed to local government agencies and media contacts.

Rationale: Fire suppression efforts on the Isom Creek fire involve several hundred firefighters. The Five Mile Campground is the best option in the vicinity to provide a safe, secure location for the large number of firefighters to bivouac, and to establish command and control and logistics facilities.

Penalties: This temporary closure order has been implemented under the authority of Section 303(a) of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1733(a)), and 43 CFR 9212.2. Any person who knowingly and willfully violates this order shall, upon conviction, be subject to a fine of not more than \$1,000 or to imprisonment of not more than 12 months, or both. Such violations may also be subject to the enhanced fines provided for by 18 U.S.C. 3571 and 3581.

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Central Yukon Field Manager

June 11, 2020

Date