



**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
FOREST SERVICE
APACHE-SITGREAVES NATIONAL FORESTS
SPRINGVILLE RANGER DISTRICT**

***TEMPORARY AREA CLOSURE FOR PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY
DUE TO HIGH FIRE DANGER***

PROHIBITIONS:

Pursuant to 16 USC 551, 36 CFR 261.50 (a), the following acts are prohibited in the area described in this order, and depicted on the attached map hereby incorporated into this order as Exhibit A, all within the Apache National Forest, Apache County, Arizona:

- Going into, being upon, or using the restricted area in any way. The restricted areas including all roads, trails, camping areas, and lands. Authority: 36 C.F.R. § 261.52(e); *see also* 36 C.F.R. §§ 261.53(e), 261.54(a), 261.54(e), and 261.55(a).
- The prohibitions concern all activities in the area described in this Order, including but not limited to: operating a motor vehicle, all-terrain-vehicle, and/or a motorcycle; hiking/walking; bicycling; camping; fuel-wood retrieval; and operating a drone.

EXEMPTIONS:

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

1. Persons with a Forest Service permit specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission.
2. Any Federal, State or Local Law Enforcement Officer or member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.

AREA DESCRIBED:

Areas South and West of the community of Greer. The closure area is bounded by Arizona State Highway 260 on the north, by Arizona State highway 373, the Forest Service property boundary along Greer, and the West fork of the Little Colorado River on the East, Arizona State Highway 273 and Forest Road 112 on the South and West.

This area includes the Government Springs trail head, West Fork Trail 94, the Squirrel Spring Recreation area trails, the Pole Knoll trail system and portions of the Railroad Grade trail #601.

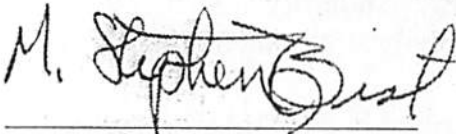
PURPOSE:

The purpose of this Order is to provide for public safety and protection of public and private properties within and adjacent to National Forest lands.

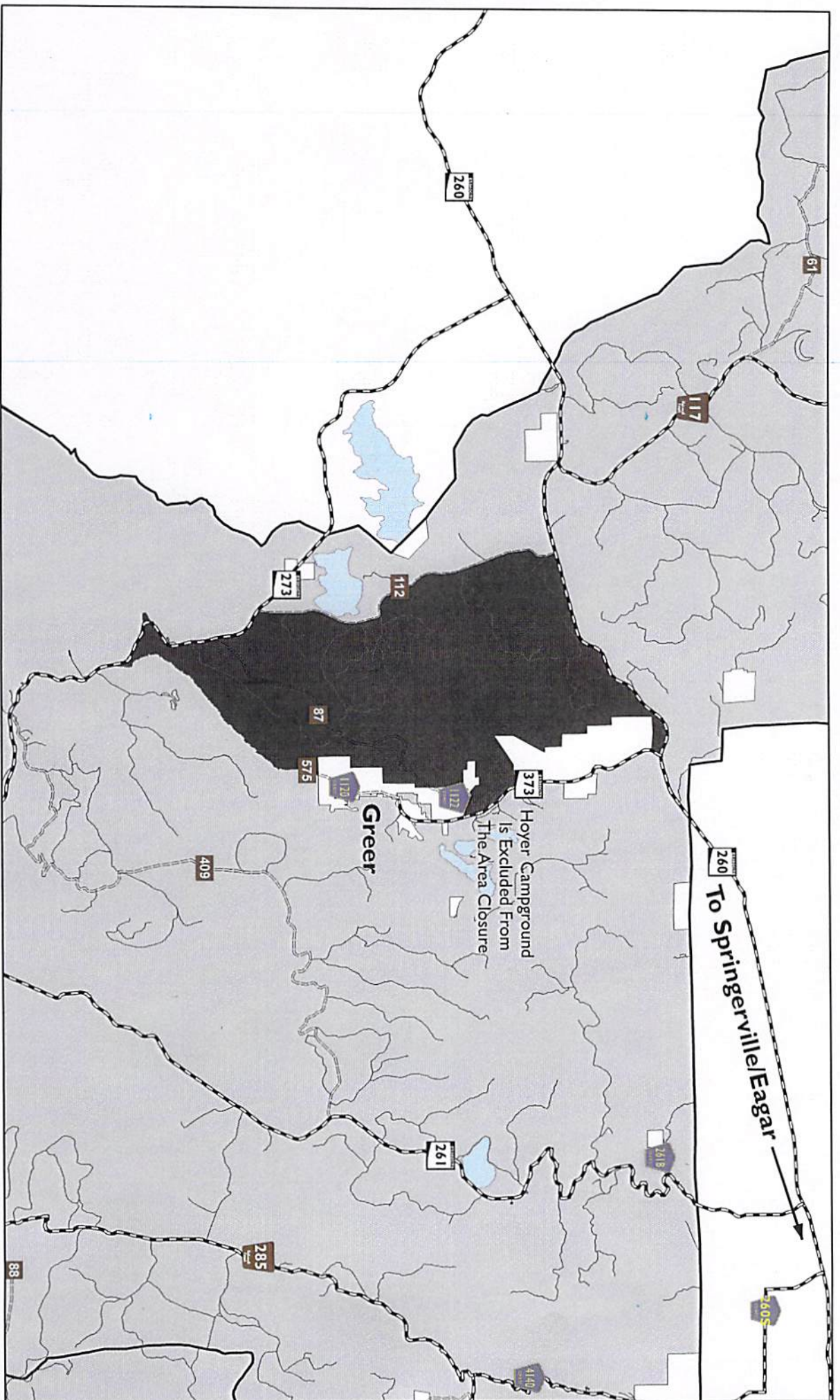
IMPLEMENTATION:

1. This Order will become effective at 06:00 AM on May 23, 2018 and shall remain in effect until December 31, 2018 or rescinded, whichever event occurs first.
2. Violation of this prohibition is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000.00 for individual or \$10,000.00 for organizations or imprisonment for not more than six (6) months or both. [Title 16 USC 551, Title 18 USC 3559, 3571 and 3581].
3. This Order supersedes, rescinds, and replaces any previous order prohibiting the same acts covered by this Order

Done at Springerville, Arizona, this 22nd day of MAY, 2018.



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Forest Order Information

Order Number: 01-18-609
 Exhibit: A
 Forest/District: Springerville RD

Legend

- Closure Order Area
- Ranger District Boundary
- Forest Service Land
- Private & Other Ownership
- Major Road
- Secondary Road
- Local Road

