

Order Number: # 01020625-10



**U.S. Department of Agriculture, U.S. Forest Service
Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest
Madison Ranger District – Ennis, Montana**

**National Forest System Area Closure-Bivens and Cloudrest
Fires**

PROHIBITIONS

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 551 and 36 C.F.R. § 261.50 (a), the following acts are prohibited on the National Forest System (NFS) lands in the Madison Ranger District, Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest, described below and shown on the attached map incorporated into this Order as Attachment A (the “Area Closure Map”):

1. To go into or be upon the area described below [36 C.F.R. § 261.52(e)].

EXEMPTIONS

Pursuant to 36 C.F.R. § 261.50(e), the following persons are exempt from this Order:

1. Persons with Forest Service Permit No. FS-7700-48 (Permit for Use of Roads, Trails, or Areas Restricted by Regulation or Order), specifically exempting them from this Order or a written determination by a Forest Service authorized officer that a permit is not required under 36 C.F.R. § 251.50(e)(1) or (2).
2. Owners or lessees of land in the area;
3. Residents in the area;
4. Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting resource in the performance of an official duty.

DESCRIBED AREA

As depicted on Attachment A, the area closed by this Order is as follows:

- Sections 15-36 (T3S R4W)

- Sections 15-22 and 28-33 (T3S R3W)
- Sections 1-4, 9-15, 22-27 and 34-36 (T4S R4W)
- Sections 1-36 (T4S R3W)
- Sections 1-12 (T5S R3W)

PURPOSE

The purpose of this Order is for public health and safety due to the Cloudrest and Bivens Fires.

IMPLEMENTATION

1. This Order shall be in effect from August 16, 2025 at 1200 through October 31st, 2025 at 1200, unless rescinded.
2. A map identifying the area closure is attached and made part of this Order as Attachment A. For a digital version of this Order and Attachment A, go to <https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/BDF/alerts-notice>.
3. Unless otherwise expressly defined in this Order, the terms used in this Order are defined by the regulations of the Secretary of Agriculture, 36 C.F.R. Chapter II, Parts 200-299. If there are terms in this Order that are not expressly defined in the Order or 36 C.F.R. Chapter II, Parts 200-299, their meaning shall be determined by their plain language definitions.
4. A violation of the above prohibitions is punishable as a Class B misdemeanor by a fine of not more than \$5,000 for individuals and \$10,000 for organizations, or by imprisonment for not more than six months, or both. 16 U.S.C. § 551; 18 U.S.C. §§ 3559, 3571, and 3581.
5. Contact the Madison Ranger District in Ennis, (406) 682-4253, and the Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest Supervisor's Office in Dillon, (406) 683-3995, for more information about this Order.
6. This Order supersedes any previous Orders prohibiting the same or similar acts on the same Described Area.

Signed and issued on this 17th day of August, 2025.

Acting Forest Supervisor
Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest

