



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

PROHIBITIONS:

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. 551 and 36 CFR 261.50(a) the following act is prohibited within the area of Black Mesa Ranger District, Sitgreaves National Forest, in the state of Arizona as described in this Order and depicted on the attached map hereby incorporated into this Order as Exhibit A.

1. Going into or being upon the restricted area which is closed for the protection of the bald eagle. **36 CFR 261.53(a)**

EXEMPTIONS:

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

1. Persons with a permit specifically exempting them from the effect of this Order.
2. Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.

RESTRICTED AREA:

All National Forest System lands, waters, roads, and trails within the boundaries of the restricted area as depicted in Exhibit A, and more particularly described as follows:

Closed to entry from March 1 through August 31; Beginning at a point 181 meters southwest of an unnamed tributary at the northeast corner of Woods Canyon Lake along Trail 336 in T11N, R13E, NW ¼ of the SW ¼, Section 13; southeasterly for 33 meters to the Woods Canyon Lake boundary; south along the shoreline of Woods Canyon Lake for 88 meters; south/southwest for 52 meters to a point where it intersects Trail 336; continuing southwest/west for 102 meters; then west/northwest for 136 meters; then north/northeast for 182 meters; then east/southeast for 78 meters to arrive at beginning point in T11N, R13E, NW ¼ of the SW ¼ of Section 13.


PURPOSE:

The purpose of this Order is to protect a bald eagle nesting site in an area of high recreation use, where noise is likely to adversely affect the success of nesting and fledging bald eagles.

IMPLEMENTATION:

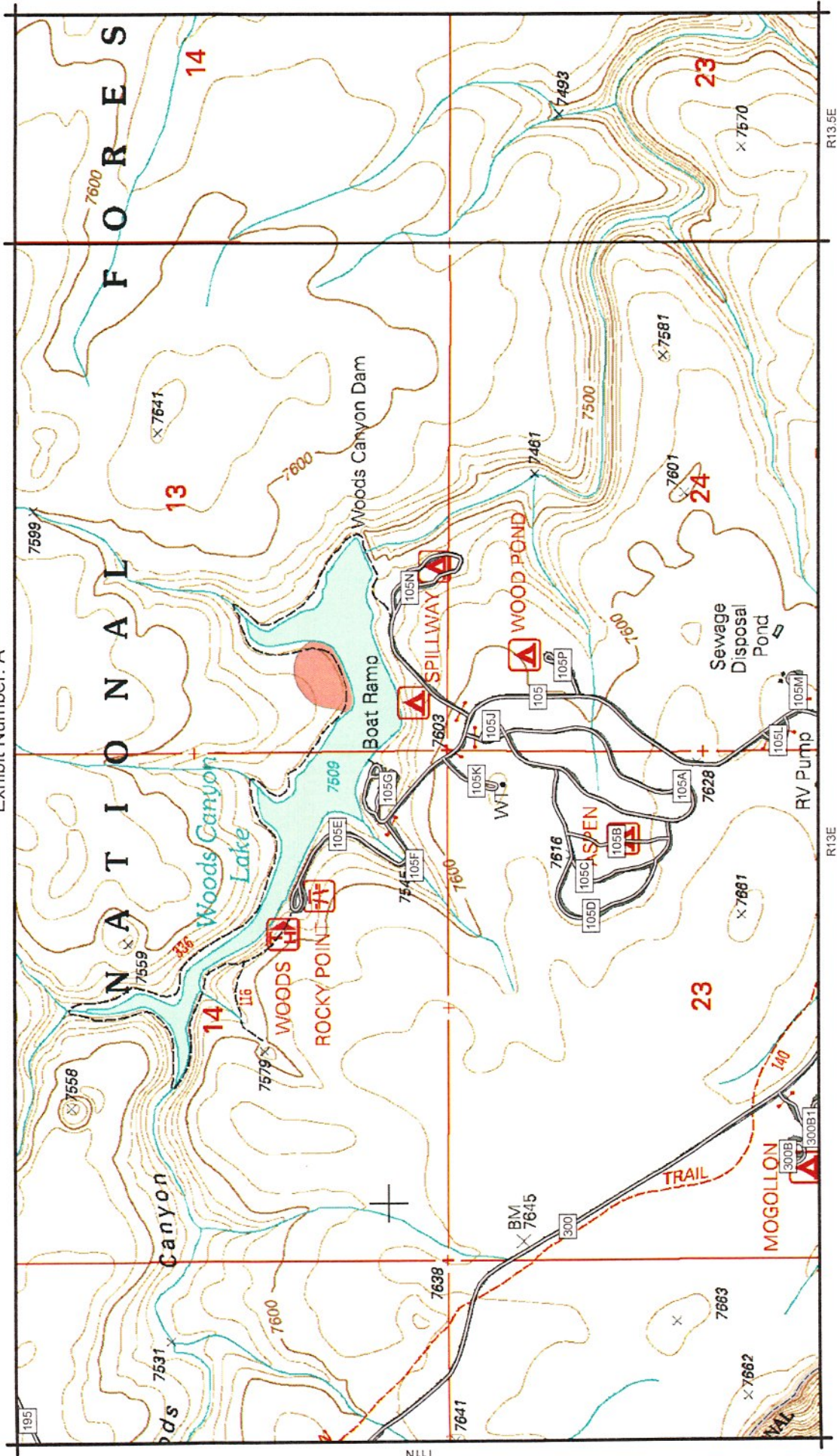
1. Prohibitions contained in this Order become effective April 1, 2016 and will remain in effect until August 31, 2016, unless terminated sooner.
2. These restrictions are in addition to the general prohibitions found at 36 CFR 261, Subpart A.
3. Violation of these prohibitions is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000 for individuals and \$10,000 for organizations, imprisonment for not more than six (6) months, or both. [16 USC 551, 18 USC 3559, 3571, and 3581].
4. This Order supersedes, rescinds, and replaces any previous order prohibiting the same acts covered by this Order.

Done at Springerville, Arizona, this 14th day of April, 2016.


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Black Mesa Ranger District
Woods Canyon Lake Bald Eagle Nest Closure
Order Number: 01-16-588
Exhibit Number: A



Legend

- Closure Area
- Non-Forest Service Land
- Highway
- Forest Road

Map Scale = 1:18,000

Miles 0 0.25 0.5 1