

Region 05, Pacific Southwest Region, Stanislaus National Forest

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Stanislaus National Forest Issues Closure Orders for Areas Impacted by Peak Fire

SONORA, CALIF. (October 10, 2024) – In an effort to protect the public from any hazards caused by the Peak Fire, the Stanislaus National Forest has issued a closure order, Forest Order No. STF-16-2024-11, in the Peak Fire Area. The full area impacted can be viewed (exhibit A and B) on the Stanislaus National Forest's website at https://www.fs.usda.gov/goto/STFForestOrders.

"The Order is necessary to ensure that firefighting efforts continue unimpeded and to protect the public from the hazards associated with actively burning fire and fire suppression efforts within the Peak Fire Closure Area," said Stanislaus National Forest Supervisor, Jason Kuiken.

This closure is based on the current and expected fire behavior and will be in effect until December 5, 2024, or until replaced or rescinded.

The Peak Fire Closure Area begins at the intersection of National Forest System Road No. 4N12 and National Forest System Road No. 18EV306. then continues along to the intersection of National Forest System Road No. 18EV306 and National Forest System Road No. 18EV463, then continues northeast along National Forest System Road No. 18EV463, then continues north to the intersection with Trail of The Gargoyles Trailhead, then continues northeast to the intersection with National Forest System Road No. 19EV114 and National Forest System Road No. 4N12, then continues east along National Forest System Road No. 4N12 to the intersection of Forest Trail No. 19E07, then continues southwest along National Forest System Road No. 4N12 back to the intersection with 18EV306.

Any questions or concerns should be directed to Stanislaus National Forest Public Affairs Officer, Benjamin Cossel: <u>benjamin.cossel@usda.gov</u> or 209.288.6261.