

**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
FOREST SERVICE
MANTI-LA SAL NATIONAL FOREST
MOAB RANGER DISTRICT**

Pack Creek Fire Trail, Road and Area Closure

PROHIBITIONS:

Pursuant to Title 36 CFR 261.50(b) the following act is prohibited on the section of road described in this order, all within the Moab Ranger District, Manti-La Sal National Forest.

1. Being on the road, 36 CFR 261.54(e).
2. Being on a trail, 36 CFR 261.55(a)
3. Being in the area, 36 CFR 261.52(e).

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.
3. Federal or State administrative personnel in the performance of an official duty.

DESCRIPTION:

Roads: entire length

Forest Road 0064 (Warner Campground Road)	Forest Road 4684
Forest Road 4650 (Warner Spur)	Forest Road 0241 (Gold Basin)
Forest Road 0063 (Warner Road to Bald Mesa)	Forest Road 0243 (Moonlight Meadows)
Forest Road 4652 (Middle Mesa Spur)	Forest Road 0240 (Burro Pass)
Forest Road 4653 (Middle Mesa Spur)	Forest Road 4721
Forest Road 4684 (Mill Creek Rim)	Forest Road 0242
Forest Road 0076 (Oowah Road)	Forest Road 4702
Forest Road 0071 (Geyser Pass Road)	Forest Road 4701
Forest Road 0068 (Brumley Creek Road)	Forest Road 4696
Forest Road 4683 (Brumley Ridge Road)	Forest Road 0074
Forest Road 4829	Forest Road 4173
Forest Road 4682	Forest Road 4699
Forest Road 4691	Forest Road 4698
Forest Road 4690	Forest Road 4723
Forest Road 4705	
Forest Road 4855	
Forest Road 4706	

Forest Road 0073 (La Sal Pass Road): from the Junction with Forest road 0237 (Pack Creek Overlook Road) west to Pack Creek

Motorized Trails:

Forest Trail 967

Forest Trail 969 (Brumley Basin)

Forest Trail 966

Forest Trail 970

Area:

Beginning on the Sand Flats Road (Forest Road 0067) at Junction with La Sal Loop Road; thence southerly along the La Sal Loop Road to the forest boundary; thence southerly along the forest boundary to Forest Road 4855 (Pole Canyon Road); thence easterly along Forest Road 4855 to the Pack Creek Road (Forest Road 4719); thence easterly along the Pack Creek Road to the Pack Creek Foot Trail (Forest Trail 041); thence easterly along the Pack Creek to the Summit at Forest Road 0237 (Pack Creek Overlook Road); thence easterly along Forest Road 0237 to the junction with La Sal Pass Road (Forest Road 0073); thence northerly from the La Sal Pass/ Mt. Tukuhnikivatz Foot Trail to the summit of Mount Tukuhnikivatz (Mt. Tuk); thence easterly along the ridge to Mt. Peale; thence easterly along the Dark Canyon Ridge to the forest boundary; thence northerly along the forest boundary to Forest Road 0129 (Dark Canyon Road); thence northerly along the Dark Canyon Road to the forest boundary in Geysers Creek; thence northerly along the forest boundary to Burro Pass; thence northerly along the Mt. Tomasaki Ridge to Mt. Tomasaki Peak; thence northerly along the ridgeline to Manns Peak; thence northerly along the ridgeline to Mt. Wass; thence westerly along Miners Basin Creek to the La Sal Loop Road; thence westerly along the La Sal Loop Road to the Sand Flats Road at the beginning of this description.

PURPOSE:

To prevent potential injury to the public while fire suppression operations are occurring in the area. To allow firefighters and incident managers the ability to conduct suppression and repair operations with minimum impact to public safety.

DEFINITION:

See the attached map for a visual representation.

IMPLEMENTATION:

1. This Order replaces Forest Order 04-10-4-21-01 (Pack Creek Fire Order).
2. This Order will be in effect Friday June 24 at 1200am until 15 July at 6am.
3. Violation of the above prohibition(s) is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000.00 for an individual or \$10,000.00 for an organization, and/or imprisonment for not more than six (6) months. [Title 16 USC 551, Title 18 USC 3571(b) (6), Title 18 USC 3581 (b) (7)].
4. Further information regarding this Order may be obtained at the Moab Ranger District Office, (435) 259-7155 and the Manti-La Sal National Forest Supervisors Office, (435) 637-2817.

Done at Price, Utah this 24th day of June, 2021.

Darren Olsen
Acting Forest Supervisor
Manti-La Sal National Forest

Assessment of Need and Enforcement Plan

Order Number 04-10-4-21-02

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1. Background: Utah is in an extreme drought. There has been extreme fire danger over the area for the past month including red flag warnings. The fire danger is predicted to continue for the foreseeable future. The Pack Creek Fire started by an unattended fire on the Manti-La Sal National Forest, burned multiple structures, and the rate of spread has slowed. The fire size is over 8000 acres.

2. Intent of Subpart B Order: To provide the legal ability to restrict vehicles and persons from the Roads, Trails and Areas impacted by the fire for public safety. To assist fire crews and management officials in conducting necessary operations to contain fire activity and make necessary repairs.

3. Enforcement Plan: A cooperative effort will be accomplished by personnel from Forest Service Law Enforcement, Forest Protection Officers, San Juan and Grand County Sheriff's Offices, and United States Attorney Offices in Utah. Educational efforts will include notice on the Manti-La Sal Facebook page, public information presentations on the Radio and signing of the roads leading to the area to give advance notice of the closure. If persons are on the closed section of road, trail or in the area, violation notices will be issued to the violator(s).

The following activities need to occur to implement this special order in a manner that results in public acceptance and safety:

Action	Responsible Official	Date
Prepare proposed order	LEO Scott Watson	6/24/2021
Review proposed order	CPT Matt Buhler	
Approve proposed order	Acting Forest Sup. Darren Olsen	
Post order in accordance with 36 CFR 261.51	Brian Murdock	
Prepare news release for local media describing the order and management objectives	Forest & PAO	
<i>Describe implementation/action</i>		

Enforcement Plan approved for implementation:

/s/ Darren Olsen

6/24/2021

ACTING FOREST SUPERVISOR

DATE