

**NATIONAL FOREST SYSTEM AREA RESTRICTIONS
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Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 551 and 36 C.F.R. § 261.50(a), the following acts are prohibited within the Rico-West Dolores Travel Management Area on the Dolores Ranger District of the San Juan National Forest, Dolores and Montezuma Counties, State of Colorado, hereinafter referred to as the Restricted Area.

The Restricted Area is depicted on the attached map and hereby incorporated into this Order as Exhibit A.

This Order is necessary to provide short-term resource protection. The Forest Supervisor has determined that motor vehicle use in the Restricted Area will directly cause considerable adverse effects on soil, vegetation, and wildlife habitat within the Restricted Area.

This Order will change travel management designations within the Restricted Area prior to completion of the re-analysis of the Rico-West Dolores Travel Management Area Environmental Assessment, planned for 2012.

This Order closes the Rico-West Dolores Travel Management Area to cross-country travel and does not affect the use of motorized vehicles on National Forest System Roads (NFSR), nor does it restrict further the operation of vehicles on motorized trails in compliance with the height, length or other limitations specified on the Closure Map (Exhibit A).

PROHIBITIONS

- Using or possessing any motorized vehicle off of National Forest System Roads (NFSR) within the Restricted Area. 36 C.F.R. § 261.56.

EXEMPTIONS

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

- (1) Persons with a Forest Service permit specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission.
- (2) Any Federal, State or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force engaged in the performance of an official duty.
- (3) Persons on snow possessing or using over-the-snow vehicles running on tracks or skis (no wheeled vehicles are allowed).

This Order shall remain in effect until rescinded, or until December 31, 2015, whichever event occurs first.

Done at Durango, Colorado, this 16th day of June, 2010.



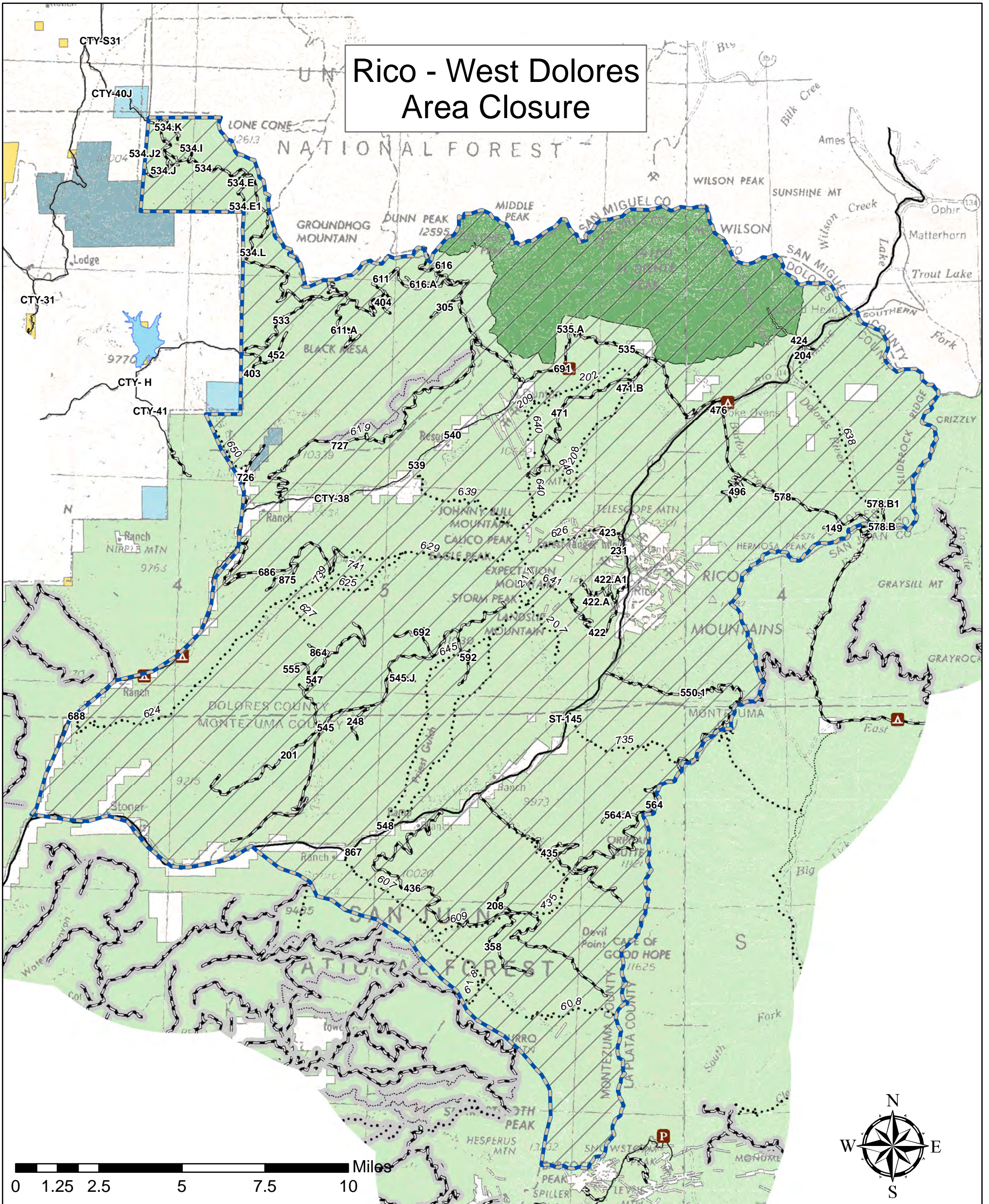
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Violations of these regulations is punishable as a Class B misdemeanor, by a fine of not more than \$5,000 for an individual or \$10,000 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than six (6) months, or both. 16 U.S.C. § 551, and 18 U.S.C. §§ 3559 and 3571.

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Rico - West Dolores Area Closure



Legend

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| Cross-Country Motorized Travel Prohibited | Bureau of Land Management |
| 1 Roads Open to All Vehicles, Yearlong | Bureau of Reclamation |
| 2 Roads Open to All Vehicles, Seasonal | Colorado Division of Wildlife |
| 3 Roads Open to Highway Legal Vehicles Only, Yearlong | National Forest |
| 4 Roads Open to Highway Legal Vehicles Only, Seasonal | Indian Reservation |
| 14 State or US Highway | National Park Service |
| 15 Other Public Roads | Patented Lands |
| 9 Trails Open to Motorcycles Only, Yearlong | State Lands |
| 10 Trails Open to Motorcycles Only, Seasonal | Parking |
| 16 Trails Open to Wheeled Vehicles Only < 50" in Width, Yearlong | Campground |
| 17 Trails Open to Wheeled Vehicles Only < 50" or Less in Width, Seasonal | |

