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Los Padres National Forest For Immediate Release

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Fire Restrictions Take Effect in Los Padres National Forest

GOLETA, CA, May 6, 2015...Due to extremely dry vegetation and an increasing fire danger, Los Padres National Forest officials announced that Level III fire restrictions will go into effect beginning today, May 6, 2015. The following restrictions will be rigorously enforced until this Forest Order expires:

Wood and charcoal fires are prohibited in <u>all areas</u> of Los Padres National Forest except for designated Campfire Use sites; however persons with a valid California Campfire Permit are allowed to use portable stoves and lanterns using gas, jellied petroleum or pressurized liquid fuel outside of designated Campfire Use Sites. California Campfire Permits are available for free download at the preventwildfireca.org website: http://www.preventwildfireca.org/Campfire-Permit/

- You must clear all flammable material for a distance of 10 feet in all directions from your camp stove, have a shovel available, and ensure that a responsible person attends the stove at all times when it is in use.
- Recreational target shooting is prohibited in all areas of the National Forest unless specifically authorized by a special use permit with the Forest.
- Hunting with a valid State of California hunting license during open hunting season is exempt from this restriction.
- Smoking is prohibited in all areas of the national forest except within an enclosed vehicle, building, or designated Campfire Use Site.
- Operating or using any internal or external combustion engine without a spark arresting device properly installed, maintained and in effective working order on roads and trails specifically designated for such use. (This restriction is in effect year-round.)

A list of designated Campfire Use Sites is attached. For further information regarding current conditions and safety tips, contact your nearest Forest Service office or visit the Los Padres National Forest website at http://www.fs.usda.gov/lpnf.

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EXHIBIT A Campfire Use Sites

Monterey Ranger District

Arroyo Seco Campground / Group Camp

Arroyo Seco Day Use Area

Bottchers Gap Campground

China Camp

Escondido Campground

Kirk Creek Campground

Nacimiento Campground

Mill Creek Day Use Area

Plaskett Creek Campground / Group Camp

Ponderosa Campground

Sand Dollar Day Use Area

Santa Lucia Memorial Park Campground

White Oaks Camp

Santa Lucia Ranger District

American Canyon Campground

Baja Campground

Bates Canyon Campground

Brookshire Campground

Buck Spring Campground

Cerro Alto Campground

Colson Campground

Cumbre Day Use Area

Davy Brown Campground

Figueroa Campground

Friis Campground

Hi Mountain Campground

Horseshoe Spring Campground

La Panza Campground

Miranda Pine Campground

Navajo Flat Campground

Nira Campground

Pino Alto Day Use Area

Santa Barbara Ranger District

Falls Day Use Area

First Crossing Day Use Area

Fremont Campground

Live Oak Day Use Area

Los Prietos Campground

Lower Oso Day Use Area

Middle Santa Ynez Campground

Mono Campground

P-Bar Flat Campground

Paradise Campground

Red Rock Day Use Area

Rock Camp

Sage Hill Campground

Upper Oso Campground

White Rock Day Use Area

Ojai Ranger District

Holiday Group Campground Middle Lion Campground Pine Mountain Campground Reyes Peak Campground Rose Valley Campground Wheeler Gorge Campground

Mount Pinos Ranger District

Aliso Park Campground Ballinger Campground Caballo Campground Campo Alto Campground Chuchupate Campground Chula Vista Campground Dome Springs Campground **Dutchman Campground** Halfmoon Campground Kings Camp Campground Marian Campground McGill Campground McGill Group Campground Mt. Pinos Campground Pine Springs Campground Rancho Nuevo Campground Reyes Creek Campground Thorn Meadows Campground Toad Springs Campground Valle Vista Campground