

**UNITED STATES FOREST SERVICE
TONTONATIONAL FOREST
MESA RANGER DISTRICT
CACTUS FIRE PUBLIC SAFETY CLOSURE ORDER**

PROHIBITIONS

Pursuant to Title 36 CFR 261.50 (a) and (b), the following acts are prohibited on the areas, roads, and trails described in this order, and as described below and depicted on the attached map hereby incorporated into this Order as Exhibit A, within the Mesa Ranger District of the Tonto National Forest, Maricopa County, Arizona.

1. Entering or being upon the restricted areas. 36 CFR 261.53(e)
2. Being on National Forest System Road (NFSR) 169. 36 CFR 261.54(e)

EXEMPTIONS

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

1. Persons with a permit specifically from the Forest Service authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission.
2. Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of any organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.

AREA DESCRIBED

The restricted area includes that portion of the Tonto National Forest from the Forest boundary west of Granite Reef Recreation Area, extending northeastward along the north side of Bush Highway to NFSR 169 (Phon D Sutton Road), then northward along the eastern side of NFSR 169 to Phon D Sutton Recreation Area, then eastward to the eastern end of Phon D Sutton Recreation area, then northward to the southern bank of the Salt River, then westward along the southern bank of the Salt River to the Forest boundary at Granite Reef, and then southward to Bush Highway.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this Order is the protection of National Forest visitors and employees due to the high risk of fire reignition in the closed area.

IMPLEMENTATION

1. Prohibitions contained in this order become effective beginning Thursday, April 27, 2017 at 8:00 a.m. and will remain in effect until Sunday, May 21, 2017 at 8:00 a.m. 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 3571(b) (6), 18 USC 3581(b) (7)].

Order Number: 12-17-301

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Dated this 27th day of April, 2017, at Phoenix, Arizona.

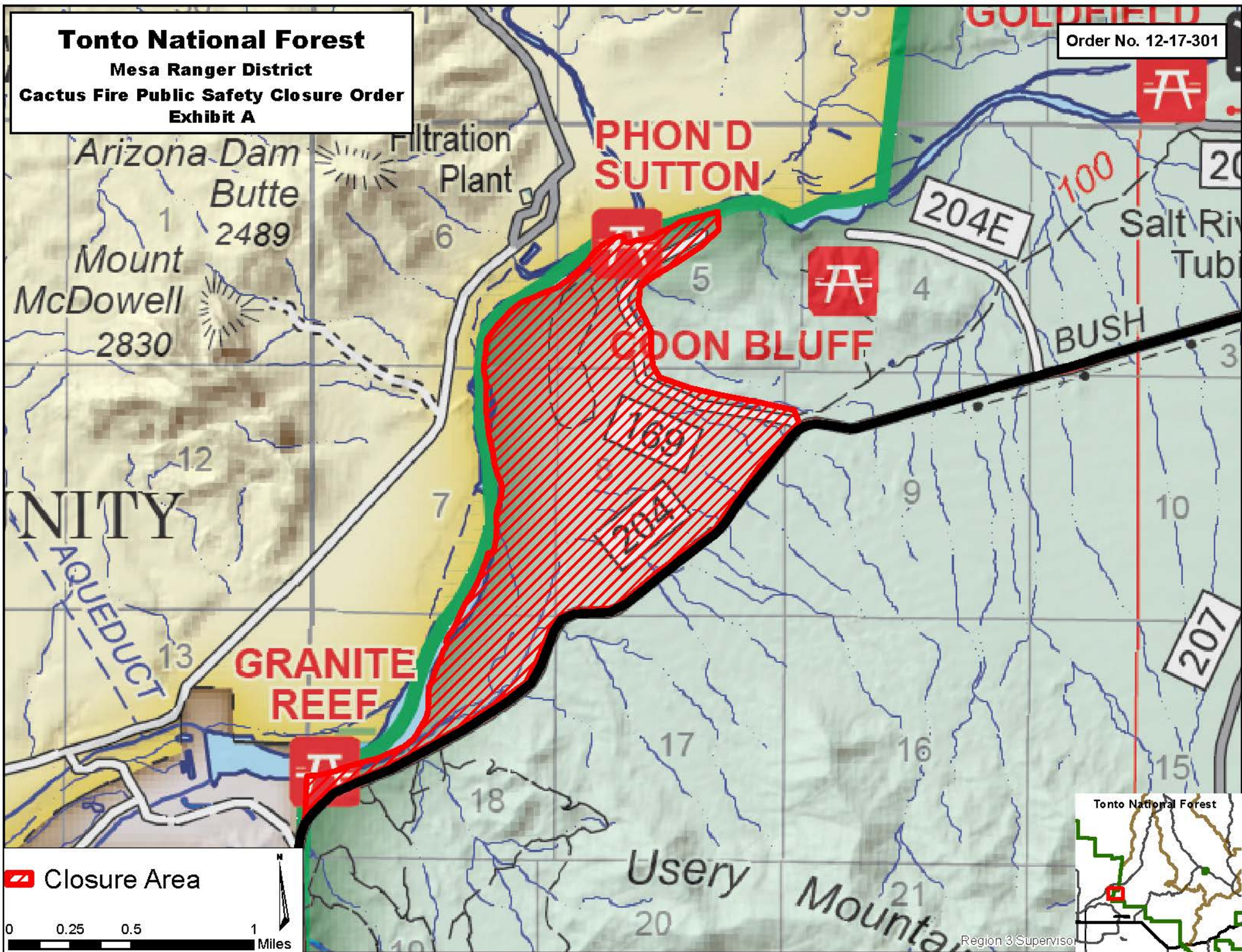
/s/ Neil Bosworth
NEIL BOSWORTH
Forest Supervisor

Tonto National Forest

Mesa Ranger District

Cactus Fire Public Safety Closure Order
Exhibit A

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 Closure Area

0 0.25 0.5 1 Miles

