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## **ANGELES NATIONAL FOREST TO CLOSE FOR ONE WEEK FOR PUBLIC SAFETY**

Arcadia, Calif. – The Angeles National Forest will be closed to all general activity for one week, from Monday, Sept 7, to Monday, Sept 14, 2020. This includes all US Forest Service roads, trails, campgrounds and day-use sites. This is a temporary, one-week closure for public safety, until Monday, September 14.

The Forest closure will go into effect at 5 pm, today, September 7.

State and county roads are currently open for passage through the Angeles National Forest. However, that access is for pass-through traffic only.

The safety measure reflects the unprecedented and dangerous fire conditions within the region. This is a combination of extreme heat, dry conditions, significant wind events, and firefighting resources that are stretched to the limit.

Due to these conditions, the USDA Forest Service Pacific Southwest Region announced temporary closures and [fire restrictions](#) to provide for public safety and reduce the potential for human caused fire starts. Other California national forests closed to visitor use include; the San Bernardino, Cleveland, Los Padres, Sequoia, Inyo, Sierra and the Stanislaus.

With this season's dangerous fire conditions, the Angeles National Forest has already experienced a number of large fires, to include, the Dam (220 acres), Ranch2 (4,237 acres) and Lake Fires (31,089 Acres). The Bobcat Fire (4,871 acres) is currently burning on the Angeles, north of Azusa, with 0% containment. The 2020 Fire Season got off to a fast start and is shaping up to be one of the most active in recent memory. The Angeles National Forest experienced record visitor turnout this year, making 2020 already the busiest in its 112-year history.

The Fire Danger Level on the Angeles National Forest remains at "Extreme".

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Thank you & Be safe!