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## SWIFT TRAIL TO CLOSE NOVEMBER 15<sup>th</sup>

SAFFORD, AZ (November 4, 2008) - The upper portion of State Highway 366, or the Swift Trail, will officially close for the winter at 0600 on November 15, 2008. This closure occurs approximately one-half mile beyond the Shannon Campground at the end of the pavement. This closure applies only to motorized vehicles. Hikers, cross-country skiers, mountain bikes, and other non-motorized users may continue beyond the locked gate. This closure will remain in effect until at least April 15, 2009 and potentially longer depending on snow conditions.

Additionally, the Arizona Department of Transportation may close the lower portions of the Swift Trail during snow plowing operations. These closures are temporary, and the highway will reopen as soon as ADOT has cleared the road of snow.

This closure is a part of Forest Service compliance with the Arizona-Idaho Conservation Act of 1988.