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SEASONAL CLOSURES OF RECREATIONAL SITES

Some Areas Closing for Winter Season

TUCSON, AZ (October 29, 2008) – Coronado National Forest personnel have begun implementation of seasonal closures of recreation sites around the forest. These annual closures are placed due to shifting patterns of use by Forest visitors.

“In the summer months, our higher-elevation sites receive more use from the visiting public, and we have them open and serviced for use” said Larry Pratt, Urban Developed Recreation Team Leader. “At the lower elevations, temperatures are uncomfortable for many recreationists, and those sites are closed. At this time of year, use shifts to the lower elevations, so we open and service those sites, and close the ones no longer in use.”

Closures, anticipated reopening dates and contact information are on the table which follows:

Campground Name	Status	Fees	Mountain Range	Administrative Office
Rose Canyon	Closed Opens Mid April 09	Yes	Santa Catalina Mountains	Santa Catalina Ranger District (520) 749-8700
Showers Point Group	Closed Opens Mid April 10	Yes	Santa Catalina Mountains	Santa Catalina Ranger District (520) 749-8700
Spencer Canyon	Closed Opens Mid April 11	Yes	Santa Catalina Mountains	Santa Catalina Ranger District (520) 749-8700
Whitetail Group	Closed Opens Mid April 12	Yes	Santa Catalina Mountains	Santa Catalina Ranger District (520) 749-8700
Hirabayashi Campground and Day Use Area	Open Year-round	Yes	Santa Catalina Mountains	Santa Catalina Ranger District (520) 749-8700
General Hitchcock	Open Year-round	Yes	Santa Catalina Mountains	Santa Catalina Ranger District (520) 749-8700
Molino Basin	Opens Nov.1 Reservation Req'd	Yes	Santa Catalina Mountains	Santa Catalina Ranger District (520) 749-8700
Molino Group	Opens Nov.1 Reservation Req'd	Yes	Santa Catalina Mountains	Santa Catalina Ranger District (520) 749-8700
Peppersauce	Open	Yes	Santa Catalina Mountains	Santa Catalina Ranger District (520) 749-8700
Peppersauce Group	Open, Reservation Req'd	Yes	Santa Catalina Mountains	Santa Catalina Ranger District (520) 749-8700
Bog Springs	Open	Yes	Santa Rita Mountains	Nogales Ranger District (520) 281-2296
Calabasas Group Site	Open, Reservation Req'd	Yes	Tumacacori Mountains	Nogales Ranger District (520) 281-2296
Red Rock	Closed, Open on Easter & Mother's Day	No	Tumacacori Mountains	Nogales Ranger District (520) 281-2296
White Rock	Partially Open - Pena Blanca Lake Closed	Yes	Tumacacori Mountains	Nogales Ranger District (520) 281-2296