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News Release

Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests Offers Virtual Services in Response to COVID-19

Springerville, AZ - March 17, 2020 - The Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests are implementing virtual services to protect the health and safety of employees and members of the public during the COVID-19 outbreak in accordance with guidance from federal and state authorities.

Customers needing information, permits and maps are encouraged to call 928-333-6280 during regular business hours for prompt, customer service.

“As we work through an unpredictable and rapidly changing situation, health and safety is our number one priority,” said Anthony Madrid, Forest Supervisor. “We are committed to continuing to support our communities and fulfill our mission as we all work together to minimize the impacts and spread of COVID-19.”

These actions have been taken based on the best available medical advice to limit gatherings of large numbers of people and to promote social distancing.

While being outside on a national forest is believed to be safer than indoor spaces, visitors are urged to take the precautions recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). For tips from the CDC on preventing illnesses like the coronavirus, go to: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/about/prevention.html>.

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