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## VILLAGE OF RUIDOSO OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

## AMENDED EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-10

MANAGING VISITOR CAPACITY AND INCREASED TRAFFIC FLOW AT AND AROUND GRINDSTONE LAKE, ENSURING THE AVAILABILITY AND EFFICIENCY OF PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES, AND ENSURING THAT FACILITIES ARE CLEAN AND SANITARY FOR THE SAFETY AND ENJOYMENT OF EVERYONE

WHEREAS, The Village of Ruidoso has a commitment to ensure locals and visitors have a safe and enjoyable experience at Grindstone Lake; and

**WHEREAS**, The Village of Ruidoso has experienced increased visitation and traffic concerns at the Grindstone Lake on weekends; and

WHEREAS, The Village of Ruidoso has recognized traffic safety in Grindstone Lake area as an important piece of our overall effort to improve public safety; and

**WHEREAS**, The Village of Ruidoso has made a commitment to create safer streets for all, whether walking, biking, and driving; and

**WHEREAS**, The Village of Ruidoso desires to implement a reservation only parking permit process for Grindstone Lake; and

**WHEREAS**, Local residents and second homeowners in Ruidoso will have the first opportunity to purchase a parking permit in advance, guaranteeing access; and

**WHEREAS,** Visitors can purchase a daily parking permit. However, Grindstone Lake will have capacity limits and will be closed to drop-in day-use visitors once that limit is reached.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Lynn D. Crawford, Mayor of the Village of Ruidoso, New Mexico, do hereby order the Village of Ruidoso employees to implement the following procedures:

- A. Effective immediately, the Village will implement the following to manage the capacity at Grindstone Lake.
  - 1. Grindstone Lake is limited to day-use only from 8AM-6PM on Monday through Thursday and from 6AM-6PM on Friday through Sunday.
  - 2. Visitation will be kept at 300 vehicles per day.
  - 3. Residents of Ruidoso and second-homeowners in Ruidoso will have first priority of reserving parking permits.



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- 4. Access to Grindstone Lake shall be by vehicle only.
- 5. Residential hiking on Grindstone trails is permitted.
- 6. Bicycles shall be permitted to enter Grindstone Lake for access to the bike trails only.
- 7. Entry by the public to Grindstone Lake shall only be permitted at one designated entry point.
- 8. Additional access points to Grindstone Lake shall be closed and monitored.
- 9. Parking on Grindstone Drive from Carrizo Canyon Road to Resort Drive is prohibited on Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays.
- 10. When the park reaches capacity, park officials shall prohibit entry of additional vehicles to Grindstone Lake.
- B. Executive Order 2020-10 goes into effect immediately and shall remain in effect until Labor Day weekend.

This order supersedes any previous orders in conflict.

EXECUTED ON THIS 15th DAY OF JUNE, 2020 IN RUIDOSO, NEW MEXICO.

Lynn D. Crawford, Mayor

(SEAL)

ATTEST:

Irma Devine, Village Clerk