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GILA CLIFF DWELLINGS
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Gila Cliff Dwellings National Monument News Release

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WEST FORK BRIDGE & GILA CLIFF DWELLINGS NATIONAL MONUMENT REMAIN TEMPORARILY CLOSED

As a result of heavy rain and subsequent flooding, the New Mexico Department of Transportation (NMDOT) has closed NM Highway 15 from the West Fork Bridge north to Gila Cliff Dwellings National Monument; Lower Scorpion Campground, Upper Scorpion Campground, TJ Corral, and the trailhead to the Cliff Dwellings remain closed until further notice.

Woody's Corral is accessible for those wanting to use the trailhead for wilderness travel. Please note, however, that because of safety concerns, no foot traffic will be permitted on the West Fork Bridge.

Gila Cliff Dwellings National Monument remains temporarily closed, but the Gila Visitor Center remains open. At present, there is no anticipated date for reopening of the Monument.

For further information, please contact the Gila Visitor Center at (575) 536-9461. For road information please visit the New Mexico Department of Transportation website: <http://nmshtd.state.nm.us/> or call 1-800-432-4269.