

BEAVERHEAD - DEERLODGE NATIONAL FOREST CHRISTMAS TREE CUTTING



*Your \$5 permit allows you to cut one Christmas tree in any national forest in Montana and on land administered by BLM.

*For the Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest, check either the Southwest Montana Interagency Visitor Map or the Deerlodge Forest Visitors Map and our road signs to make sure you cut your tree only on public lands.

*After you cut your tree, please attach the permit to it for the trip home.

All of us on the Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest wish you and your family a
Merry Christmas !!

Tips for Cutting Your Tree

- *You can help our forests by cutting your Christmas tree from within an overcrowded stand of trees.
- *Don't cut trees visible from major roads, in campgrounds, or in other well-used areas.
- *Select a tree shorter than twelve feet high and don't cut the tops out of large trees.
- *Please cut stumps so they're no higher than eight inches off the ground. Please cut below the last live limb.
- *You may not cut trees in the Lee Metcalf Wilderness or in the Anaconda Pintler Wilderness.



Safety Tip

*For your safety, let a neighbor or family member know where you're going and when you expect to return. Carry winter survival gear (food, blankets, sleeping bags, water, matches), tire chains, and dress for winter conditions.

Once you get home: Caring for your Christmas tree

Give your tree:

- *a reservoir of water (fill it daily with a sugar solution)
- *a location away from heat registers, fireplaces and stoves
- *only inspected electrical cords (an electrical short can cause a dry tree to burn in seconds!)

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