

**BITTERROOT NATIONAL FOREST ROUTE INFORMATION**

**Comparison of Proposed and Existing Miles Open and Closed to Wheeled Motorized Access within the Project Area (Excludes Wilderness)**

	<b>Existing Condition (Miles)</b>	<b>Proposed Action (Miles)</b>	<b>Net Change (Miles)</b>
Total roads & trails open to motorized vehicles*	2,851	2,487	-364
Total roads & trails closed to motorized vehicles	1,906	2,270	+364
<b>TOTAL MILES of ROADS &amp; TRAILS</b>	<b>4,757</b>	<b>4,757</b>	

\*NOTE: This number includes 166 miles of user-created routes that motorized use groups asked us to consider keeping open. There are more than 166 miles of user-created routes, but these were the ones evaluated in developing the proposed action.

**Comparison of Proposed and Existing Wheeled Motorized Access by Vehicle Type**

<b>Vehicle Class and Season Availability</b>	<b>Existing Condition (Miles)</b>	<b>Proposed Action (Miles)</b>	<b>Net Change</b>
<b>Routes Open To Motorized Access</b>	<b>2,851</b>	<b>2,487</b>	<b>-364</b>
1. User-created routes that were evaluated*	166	0	-166
2. Roads open to all vehicles, Yearlong or Seasonally (Mixed-Motorized Use)	10	25	+15
3. Roads open to highway legal vehicles only, Yearlong or Seasonally	1523	1479	-44
4. Trails open to vehicles 50" or less in width, Yearlong or Seasonally	717	746	+29
5. Trails open to motorcycles, Yearlong or Seasonally	435	237	-198

\*NOTE: As requested by motorized use groups, the Forest Service evaluated 166 miles of user-created routes in developing the proposed action. Of those, 17 miles are proposed for motorized access (15 miles for 50" or less vehicles, 2 miles for motorcycles); the rest are proposed for non-motorized use. The miles proposed for motorized access would become part of the Forest's official road and trail system, and thus show in items 4 and 5, not item 1.

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## BITTERROOT NATIONAL FOREST ROUTE INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

### Roads Proposed for Yearlong Closure that are Currently Open Yearlong to Highway Legal Vehicles

Route #	Name	Mileage
640	Threemile	1.4
321	North Rye	3.2
446	Robbins Gulch	1.6
13272	Timber	0.8
13272A	Timber	0.2
13273	Little Trapper	0.5
13274	Little Trapper	1.0
13278	South Trapper	0.5
62865	Little Trapper	1.6
<b>TOTAL MILES</b>		<b>10.8</b>

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## BITTERROOT NATIONAL FOREST MANAGEMENT AREA INFORMATION

### Under the current Forest Plan (1987):

Total acres on the Forest: 1.6 million acres (1,586,914 acres)

**47%** (747,062 acres) of the Forest is in designated Wilderness Areas, where no motorized or mechanized use is allowed.

**26%** (405,187 acres) of the Forest is within inventoried roadless areas, where motorized use is allowed on designated routes or areas. The Wilderness Study Areas (Blue Joint and Sapphire) fall within this category.

**27%** (434,665 acres) of the Forest is outside Wilderness and inventoried roadless areas, where motorized use is allowed on designated routes or areas.