



## Flathead National Forest

## Media Release

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### **Swan Lake District Opens Roads for Firewood Gathering**

The following roads on the Swan Lake District of the Flathead National Forest will be open from July 15 to September 15 for firewood gathering:

- Forest Roads #2960, #2823, and #2999 in the Patrick Creek Drainage,
- Forest Road #2898 in the Stoner Creek Area (slash piles from recent logging), and
- Forest Roads #9514, #9507, #9501, and #9508 in the Swan Lake area.

Firewood cutting is allowed for personal use and a valid permit must be in the possession of anyone cutting wood. Permits are available from any Forest Service Office for \$5 per cord, minimum two cords. Permits are also available from several commercial vendors throughout the area.

Please use caution when cutting from large slash piles to ensure the stability of what is being cut.

Firewood cutters may encounter ongoing road work in the area and should drive with care. All Forest Service property open for firewood cutting requires vehicles to remain on existing roads and skid trails.

For more information, please contact the Swan Lake Ranger District at (406) 837-7500.

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