
Hebgen Lake Ranger District News Release



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Pika Point and Eldridge Area Closures Lifted

The Hebgen Lake Ranger District has opened the Pika Point and Eldridge Road areas temporarily closed last week to address human-bear safety concerns. The elk carcasses in these areas have been consumed, reducing the risk of a human-bear encounter.

The closure in the Tepee Creek area remains in affect. "Crews were able to safely access the area where the horse carcass was located and blow the carcass up late last week," said Andy Pils, Hebgen Lake District Wildlife Biologist. "We hope to be able to lift this area closure later this week."

Forest visitors are reminded that food storage requirements are in affect for all of the Gallatin National Forest. Please ensure you have necessary equipment with you to properly store all wildlife attractants. For more information about the area closures please contact the Hebgen Lake Ranger District, (406) 823-6961. Information about the Forest's food storage order can be found on-line at <http://www.fs.fed.us/r1/gallatin/> or by contacting your local Gallatin National Forest Ranger District office.

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