
Gallatin National Forest News Release



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Fire Restrictions go into Effect for Spanish Peaks Unit of the Lee Metcalf Wilderness

Bozeman, MT -- Effective late Friday night, (12:00 a.m.), July 14 **campfires and charcoal fires** will be restricted to designated recreation sites on the Gallatin National Forest, except the Hebgen Lake Ranger District and the Absaroka Beartooth Wilderness. This revised order implements Stage 1 restrictions on the Spanish Peaks Unit of the Lee Metcalf Wilderness. All of the Hebgen Lake Ranger District, including the Taylor Hilgard and Monument Mountain portions of the Lee Metcalf Wilderness is under State 2 Fire Restrictions. There are no fire restrictions in the Absaroka-Beartooth Wilderness.

Under Stage 1 fire restrictions, **campfires and charcoal fires** will be restricted to designated recreation sites. In addition:

- Fires within rock fire rings and the use of wood-burning stoves in canvas wall tents will also be prohibited.
- Enclosed gas propane or butane type camp stoves are allowed.

In addition, smoking on the Gallatin National Forest will be restricted to: within an enclosed vehicle or building; at a developed recreation site; or in an area at least 3 feet in diameter that is barren or cleared of all flammable materials.

If you have questions, please contact your local Forest Service Ranger Station or local county fire department.

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