
Gallatin National Forest News Release



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Travel Plan Summer Road and Trail Maps Available

Beginning Monday, October 8, 2007 the Gallatin National Forest's Travel Plan Decision summer road and trail maps will be available. The maps, also known as the Motor Vehicle Use Map, represent the open or designated trail and road systems on the Gallatin Forest.

The new maps will be available at all Ranger District offices and the Supervisor's Office free of charge, and are available on the Forest's website at <http://www.fs.fed.us/r1/gallatin/>.

Tom Puchlerz, Acting Forest Supervisor states, "With hunting season in full swing, we wanted to take this opportunity to make the maps available and talk with as many people as possible in the field while they are enjoying their National Forest. Visitors can expect to see Forest employees distributing and discussing the new map and helping people understand the changes that will affect them."

Not all the routes displayed in the Decision will be displayed on the maps. Routes that require additional maintenance, construction, deconstruction, or access issues to be resolved prior to being open for public use are not displayed. Once these routes are built or established they will be included on the yearly Motor Vehicle Use Map update.

"To assist visitors in understanding which roads or trails are open to specific uses, the Forest is updating road and trail route markers and destination signs in the field," said Puchlerz. "However, it was a premise of the travel plan decision that it is the visitor's responsibility to know which roads and trails are open so we encourage everyone visiting the Forest to stop by and pick up a map."

For additional information please contact any Gallatin National Forest Ranger District Office or the Supervisor's Office.

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