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# Bozeman Ranger District News Release



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## **Battle Ridge Campground Closed for Human Safety Reasons**

Bozeman, MT... Battle Ridge Campground, located approximately 5 miles north of Bridger Bowl Ski Area and 20 miles north of Bozeman is closed to all access. The Forest Service instituted the closure to address human safety concerns caused by a wind storm in January that blew over a large number of trees in the campground. In addition, many of the remaining standing trees are weak from disease.

“The Forest didn’t realize the extent of the diseased trees until the wind storm blew over a large number,” said Jose Castro, Bozeman District Ranger. “The majority of the diseased trees are Doug-fir that has root rot. The Forest will be working to remove the downed trees and those that are weak and hazardous during the summer.” It is anticipated that the campground will be re-opened this fall.

People wishing to camp in the area can use the Fairy Lake Campground once the snow banks have melted off the road. For additional information please contact the Bozeman Ranger District, 406-522-2520.

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