

Hyalite Travel Planning Area

A. Travel Area Goals, Objectives, Standards and Guidelines

GOAL 1: Summer Recreation Use. Provide opportunities for both motorized and non-motorized summer recreation use with emphasis on family-oriented hiking, biking and pleasure driving.

OBJ. 1-1: Achieve the summer recreation opportunities identified in GOAL 1 through the route-by-route management decisions made through this Travel Plan. Any future proposals to change the uses specified should be done in consideration of the targeted recreation setting to be provided [see the “Recreation Opportunity Spectrum” (ROS) map for summer uses (October, 2006)] which is hereby incorporated by reference.

OBJ. 1-2: Provide a system of 2 to 6 mountain bike loop trails linking Hyalite Canyon to the Bozeman Creek and Cottonwood Creek drainages.

OBJ. 1-3: Widen the Hyalite Road from the mouth of the canyon to the reservoir to accommodate biking, roller-blading, etc.

GOAL 2: Winter Recreation Use. Provide for a variety of winter recreation opportunities with an emphasis on family-oriented cross-country skiing and snowshoeing.

OBJ. 2-1: Achieve the winter recreation opportunities identified in GOAL 2 through the marked and groomed route management decisions made through this Travel Plan. Any future proposals to change the uses specified should be done in consideration of the targeted recreation setting to be provided [see the “Recreation Opportunity Spectrum” (ROS) map for winter uses (October, 2006)] which is hereby incorporated by reference.

OBJ. 2-2: Improve winter passenger vehicle access through the Hyalite Canyon to access winter recreation opportunities including cross-country skiing, snowshoeing, ice climbing and fishing.

OBJ. 2-3: Provide loop trails for family-oriented day-use skiing.

OBJ. 2-4: Provide ski trail connectors to the Bozeman Creek and Cottonwood Creek drainages for more advanced skiers.

STANDARD 2-5: Use of sand or salt (NaCl) on the Hyalite Road is to be prohibited.

GOAL 3: Fisheries. Provide habitat for westslope cutthroat trout in Wildhorse Creek.

In this Travel Planning Area, this goal is pursued through application of Forest-wide standards.

GOAL 4: Other Resource Protection. Provide a road and trail system that accommodates traffic consistent with protecting soil and watershed condition.

OBJ. 4-1: Repair damage to road and trail system and schedule maintenance to attain conditions that are non-erosive.

OBJ. 4-2: Provide interpretive/educational signing along motorized routes and in affected areas, asking motorized users seeking camp spots to stay out of wet, muddy and shrubby areas, and to keep vehicles (and campsites) a minimum distance (e.g. 50 feet) from lakes, ponds, rivers and streams.

B. Alternative Route-By-Route Management

[See attached table.](#)

