

SPECIAL ORDER
GALLATIN NATIONAL FOREST
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LIVESTOCK USE RESTRICTION

Pursuant to Title 36 Code of Federal Regulations 261.50 parts (a) and (b), the following acts are prohibited as described below, on specific Forest trails and Areas (see the descriptions below, and attached exhibits) in the Gallatin National Forest. These restrictions are in addition to those enumerated in Subpart A, part 261, Title 36, Code of Federal Regulations, and become effective when signed and will remain in effect until rescinded.

36 CFR 261.55 – Forest Development Trails:

Use by any type of traffic or mode of transport prohibited by the order. {Title 36, 261.55(c)}

For the purpose of this order the following are prohibited:

- A. Possessing or using any livestock yearlong including but not limited to horses, mules, pack goats and llamas. The use of pack stock is **prohibited yearlong** on the following trails (see the attached map Exhibits A-D):
 1. Zimmer Creek Trail # 574 in the Absaroka Beartooth Wilderness on the Gardiner RD: from the junction of Trail #31 (Lady of the Lake Trail) in Section 32, T.8S., R. 15 E., northerly to its terminus at Zimmer Lake.
 2. The Lady of the Lake Trail #31 in the Absaroka Beartooth Wilderness on the Gardiner RD: from the junction of Zimmer Lake Trail # 574 in Sec.32, T.8S., R.15E north easterly to its terminus at Upper Aero Lake.
 3. The Rendezvous Ski Trail System on the Hebgen Lake Ranger District. Stock prohibitions apply to all marked and groomed ski trails within the Rendezvous Ski Trail system, including, but not limited to: Windy Ridge, Dead Dog Loop, Rendezvous Loop, Meadow Cutoff, Bison Boulevard, Kids Hill, In/out, Volunteer Loop, and the Biathalon Range. A map of these trails is also available on the worldwide web at: www.rendezvouskitrails.com/rendezvousmap.pdf
 4. The College “M” trails # 511, #512 and # 513 on the Bozeman Ranger District: from the “M” trailhead in Section 34, T. 1S., R. 6E., northerly to their termini at the overlook above the “M” monument in Section 27, T. 1 S., R. 6 E.
 5. The Kirkhill Trail # 428 from the trailhead in Section 12, T.3S., R.5E. south to its terminus in Section 24, T.3S., R.5E.

- B. The use or possession of any livestock including but not limited to horses, mules, pack goats and llamas is **prohibited seasonally** between **December 2** to **September 15** on the following trails (see the attached map Exhibits E and F):
 1. The Lava Lake Trail # 77 (also know as Cascade Creek Trail #77) on the Bozeman Ranger District: from the trailhead in Section 15, T.5S., R.4E., to the terminus of the Lava Lake Trail #77 at Lava Lake in the Lee Metcalf Wilderness.
 2. The Pine Creek Lake Trail # 47 on the Livingston Ranger District: from the trailhead in Section 8, T. 4S., R.10E. south-easterly to its terminus at Pine Creek Lake in Section 14, T.4S., R.10E., in the Absaroka Beartooth Wilderness.

- C. The use or possession of any livestock including but not limited to horses, mules, pack goats and llamas is **prohibited seasonally** between **April 1** and **June 15** on the following trails(see the attached map exhibit G):
1. Rock Creek South # 178 on the Livingston Ranger District: from the trailhead in Section 24, T.7S., R.5 E., south-westerly to the junction with the Gallatin Crest Trail # 96 in Section 33, T.7s., R.5 E.
 2. The Thompson Lake Trail # 282 on the Livingston Ranger District: from the trailhead in section 13, T.7S., R. 9E., southerly to Thompson Lake in Section 1, T.8S., R..9E.
 3. The Swan Creek Trail #186 on the Bozeman Ranger District: from the trailhead in Section 30, T.5S., R.5E., easterly to the junction with trail # 163 in Section 27, T.5S., R.6E.
 4. The Porcupine Trail #34 on the Bozeman Ranger District: from the trailhead in Section 16, T.7S., R.4E., easterly to the junction with trail # 199 in Section 23, T.7S., R.4E.
 5. The Buffalo Horn Trail #1 on the Bozeman Ranger District: from the trailhead in Section 26, T.8S., R.4E., easterly to the junction with trail # 199 in Section 24, T.8S., R.4E.
 6. The Teepee Trail #39 on the Bozeman Ranger District: from the trailhead in Section 12, T.9S., R.4E., northerly to the junction with trail #1 in Section 19, T.8S., R.5E.
- D. The use or possession of any livestock including but not limited to horses, mules, pack goats and llamas is **prohibited seasonally** between **April 1** and **July 15** on the following trails (see the attached map Exhibits H):

Bozeman and Livingston Ranger Districts:

1. Bear Canyon Loop Trail #440 from the Bear Canyon Trailhead in Section 1, T3S, R6E, southeast to where the trail splits in Section 8, T3S, R7E.
2. Bear Canyon Loop Trail #440 (north segment) from where the trail splits in Section 8, T3S, R7E, east to the junction with Goose Creek Divide Trail #459 in Section 9, T3S, R7E.
3. Bear Canyon Loop Trail #440 (north segment) from the junction with Goose Creek Divide Trail #459 in Section 9, T3S, R7E, northeast to the junction with the Chestnut Mountain Trail #458 in Section 9, T3S, R7E.
4. Bear Canyon Loop Trail #440 (south segment) from where the trail splits in Section 8, T3S, R7E, southeast to the junction with Bear Lake Trail #508 in Section 21, T3S, R7E.
5. Bear Canyon Loop Trail #440 (south segment) from the junction with Bear Lake Trail #508 in Section 21, T3S, R7E, northeast to the junction with Goose Creek Divide Trail #459 in Section 21, T3S, R7E.
6. Bear Canyon Loop Trail #440 (south segment) from the junction with Goose Creek Divide Trail #459 in Section 21, T3S, R7E, southeast to the junction with Trail Creek Station Road #1705 in Section 22, T3S R7E.
7. Goose Creek Divide Trail #459 from the junction with the Bear Canyon Loop Trail #440 (north segment) in Section 9, T3S, R7E, south to the junction with the Bear Canyon Loop Trail #440 (south segment) in Section 21, T3S, R7E.

8. Bear Lakes Trail #508 from the Bear Canyon Loop Trail #440 (south segment) in Section 21, T3S, R7E, south to the junction with the Mystical Bear Trail #53 in Section 28, T3S, R7E.
9. Bear Lakes Trail #508 from the junction with the Mystical Bear Trail #53 in Section 28, T3S, R7E, east to Bear Lakes in Section 28, T3S, R7E.
10. Mystical Bear Trail #53 from the junction with the Bear Lakes Trail #508 in Section 28, T3S, R7E, southwest to the hydrologic divide between Bear Creek and Bozeman Creek watersheds in the southeast quarter of Section 29, T3S, R7E

Note the seasonal restrictions for the Bear Canyon trails listed above in Section C only become effective once Special Order 07-11-00-05 which prohibits mountain bikes and stock on these trails year round is rescinded.

- E. The use or possession of any livestock including but not limited to horses, mules, pack goats and llamas is **prohibited seasonally** between **October 15** and **July 15** on the following trails: (see the attached map Exhibit G)
 1. The First Yellowmule Trail # 162 on the Bozeman Ranger District: from the trailhead in Section 11. T.7S., R.3E., southerly to the first road crossing in Section 10, T.7S., R.3E.

36 CFR 261.58 – Occupancy and Use:

Riding, hitching, tethering, or hobbling a horse or other saddle or pack animal in violation of posted instructions. {Title 36, 261.58(aa)}

For the purpose of this order the following are prohibited (see the attached map Exhibits A, E and F):

- A. **Overnight use** of or camping with any livestock **yearlong** including but not limited to horses, mules, pack goats and llamas in the following areas: (see the attached maps in Exhibits E and F)
 1. The area within ½ mile of Pine Ck. Lake on the Livingston Ranger District in the Absaroka Beartooth Wilderness.
 2. The area within ½ mile of Lava Lake on the Bozeman Ranger District in the Lee Metcalf Wilderness.
- B. Use or possession of live-stock including but not limited to horses, mules, pack goats and llamas in the following area from December 2 – July 31st (see the attached map Exhibits A). **Day use** of pack stock is permitted within this area from August 1 – December 1. **Overnight use** of or camping with any live-stock including but not limited to horses, mules, pack goats, and llamas is **prohibited yearlong** within these areas.

On the Gardiner Ranger District :

1. Portions of the Gallatin National Forest within the Absaroka Beartooth Wilderness on the Beartooth Plateau from a starting point beginning at Bald Knob on the Gallatin/Custer National Forest boundary in the southwester quarter of Sec. 32, T. 8S., R.16E, then easterly along the Custer/Gallatin National Forest boundary to Castle Mountain; then south easterly along the same boundary to the Montana/Wyoming State line in Sec.31, T.9S., R.18E; then westerly along the State Line to the northeast quarter of Sec. 33., T.9S., R.17E; then north around Hidden Lake (300' north of the lake); then west to a point 300' east of Green Lake Trail

#619; then generally north and west to the terminus of trail #619 near Green Lake in Sec. 17, T.9S., R.17E.; then westerly 300' north of a non-system trail to the intersection with the Farley Lake Loop Trail # 568 near Lake Elaine; then westerly 300' north of trail #568 to the intersection of Otter Lake Trail # 154; then north westerly 300' north of Trail #154 to Otter Lake; then westerly 300' south of Otter Lake along a line 300' south of Otter and Marianne Lakes; then westerly 300' south of the Mariane Lake Trail #570 to 300' east of the junction with the Russell Creek Trail #3; then generally north along an line 300' east of Trail #3 back to the starting point at Bald Knob on the Gallatin/Custer NF boundary in Sec. 32, T.8S., R.16E.

2. Portions of the Gallatin National Forest within the Absaroka Beartooth Wilderness on the Beartooth Plateau west of the Russell Creek Trail #3 generally described as: from a starting point in the northeast quarter of Sec. 36, T.8S., R. 15E., 300' northwest of the Russell Creek Trail # 3 then south westerly along a line 300' south of Fizzle Lake; then south westerly to the southern shoreline of Sodalite Lake; then north westerly along a line 300' south of Surprise Lake; then westerly to along a line 300' south of Mocassin Lake; then southwest to Middle Mountain; then generally north to northwest along a line 300' west of Washtub Lake and Cliff Lake; then northerly to a line 300' west of the confluence of Sky Top Creek and the outlet from Lower Aero Lake; then along a line 300' north of a non-system trail that follows Sky Top Creek downstream to a point 300' northeast of the junction of the Sky Top Creek user created trail and Lady of the Lake Trail #31 in the southeast quarter of Sec. 32, T.8S., R.15E; then north along a line 300' east of Trail #31 to Lower Aero Lake; then north along the Zimmer Lake hydrologic divide to Mount Wilse on the Gallatin/Custer National Forest boundary, then north east to Granite Peak along the same boundary, then south along the Gallatin/Custer NF boundary back to the starting point 300' north of the Russell Creek Trail #3 in Sec. 36, T.8S., R.15 E.

3. An area beginning just west of the junction of Star Creek and the Lady of the Lake Trail #31 in the southeast quarter of Sec. 32, T.8S., R.15E, then north westerly along a line 300' north of Star Creek to Astral Lake; then northwest along a line 300' north of Astral Lake to the Absaroka Beartooth Wilderness Boundary in the northeast quarter of Sec. 31, T.8S., R.15E.; then north along the Absaroka Beartooth Wilderness boundary to the Custer/Gallatin National Forest boundary in Sec. 30., T.8S., R.15E.; then north along the Custer/Gallatin National Forest boundary to a ridge which forms the hydrologic divide for Zimmer Creek in Sec. 30., T.8S., R.15E., then south east along that hydrologic divide to a point 300' west of the junction of the Zimmer Creek Trail #574 and Lady of the Lake Trail #31; then southerly 300' to the east of Trail #31 back to the starting point in the southeast quarter of Sec. 32, T.8S., R.15E.

C. Use or possession of live-stock including but not limited to horses, mules, pack goats and llamas is **prohibited yearlong** in the following areas (see the attached map Exhibit A):

On the Gardiner Ranger District:

1. An area described generally as the Zimmer Creek drainage north of the junction of the Zimmer Creek Trail #574 and the Lady of the Lake Trail #31 in Sec.32, T.8S., R.15E.
2. An area described as: within 1,000 feet of Summerville Lake and within 1,000 feet of Castle Lake in Sections 8, 17, 18 in T.9S., R.17E.

Exemptions:

Pursuant to Title 36 CFR 261.50 (e), the following persons are exempt from this order:

1. Any person with a permit authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission.
2. Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.

Done at Bozeman, Montana, this 11th day of September, 2007.

/s/ Thomas Puchlerz
THOMAS PUCHLERZ
Acting Forest Supervisor

Penalty: Violations of these Prohibitions are punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000 for an individual or \$10,000 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than six months, or both. [16 U.S.C. 551, and 18 U.S.C. 3559 and 3571]

Notification: A copy of this order shall be posted as prescribed under 36 CFR 261.51