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## PERIGRINE FALCON PROTECTION AREA ESTABLISHED

Lewis and Clark Forest Supervisor Spike Thompson has implemented a protection zone on portions of the Blackleaf Canyon wall face and adjacent ridge top areas for the sensitive peregrine falcon nesting there. The area will be closed until the birds are no longer using the area. Violation of the closure is punishable by a fine of \$5,000 or imprisonment for six months. For more information, call wildlife biologist, Wendy Maples, (406) 466-5341.

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