

WINTER RECREATION PROHIBITIONS

LEWIS AND CLARK NATIONAL FOREST
JUDITH AND MUSSELSHELL RANGER DISTRICTS
FOREST SUPERVISOR'S ORDER

**FOREST DEVELOPMENT ROADS AND TRAILS
AND
USE OF VEHICLES OFF NATIONAL FOREST SYSTEM ROADS**

Pursuant to Title 36, Code of Federal Regulations, 261.50(a) and (b), 261.54(a), 261.55(b) and 261.56, the following restrictions are in effect in the Jefferson Division of the Lewis and Clark National Forest. These restrictions are in addition to those enumerated in Subpart A, Part 261, Title 36, Code of Federal Regulations, become effective when signed, and will remain in effect until rescinded. For purposes of this order, the Forest Supervisor may temporarily amend any or all prohibitions or inclusive dates of the prohibitions described by the order based upon snow conditions or other scheduled management activities within the defined areas. These restrictions are:

Operating any over-the-snow or wheeled motorized vehicle anywhere within the defined boundaries of the following Winter Recreation Areas, as specifically described on attached maps #1 and #2 and Attachment "A", during the calendar year period of December 1 to May 15:

- 1. Middle Fork Judith Non-Motorized Winter Recreation Area.**
- 2. Big Snowy Mountains Non-Motorized Winter Recreation Area.**

Exemptions:

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

1. Persons operating over-the-snow vehicles on Forest Road #275 (Crystal Lake Road) within the Big Snowy Mountain Winter Recreation Area.
2. Persons operating over-the-snow or wheeled motorized vehicles on Forest Road #8954 (Swimming Woman Road) within the Big Snowy Mountain Winter Recreation Area.
3. Any person with a permit authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission.
4. Any Federal, State or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.

Done at Great Falls, Montana, this ___9th___ day of ___March___, 2005.

/s/ Lesley W. Thompson

LESLEY W. THOMPSON, Forest Supervisor

Penalty

Violation 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 USC 551 and 18 USC 3559 and 3571.)

Notification

Copies of this order shall be posted as prescribed under 36 CFR 261.51.

Attachment "A"

1. MIDDLE FORK JUDITH NON-MOTORIZED WINTER RECREATION AREA.

A portion of the Middle Fork Judith Wilderness Study Area in the Little Belt Mountains of approximately 79,385 acres, extending from Yogo Creek west and south to Ettien Ridge and the headwaters of West Fork Lost Fork and Cleveland Creeks. The area includes lands in: Township 14 North, Range 9 East, Sections 35 and 36; Township 13 North, Range 9 East, Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 32, 33, 34, 35, and 36; Township 13 North, Range 10 East, Sections 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, and 36; Township 13 North, Range 11 East, Sections 18, 19, 20, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, and 34; Township 12 North, Range 9 East, Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 35, and 36; Township 12 North, Range 10 East, Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, and 34; Township 12 North, Range 11 East, Sections 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 16, 17, and 18; Township 11 North, Range 9 East, Sections 1 and 2; and Township 11 North, Range 10 East, Sections 5 and 6, as shown on the attached map.

2. BIG SNOWY MOUNTAINS NON-MOTORIZED WINTER RECREATION AREA.

A portion of the Big Snowy Mountains Wilderness Study Area in the Big Snowy Mountains of approximately 84,551 acres, extending from the northeast Forest boundary west and south to approximately Rock Creek, Neil Creek Trailhead, and Southside Trail 652. The area includes lands in: Township 13 North, Range 17 East, Sections 36; Township 13 North, Range 18 East, Sections 31, 34, 35, and 36; Township 13 North, Range 19 East, Sections 28, 31, 32, 33, and 34; Township 12 North, Range 17 East, Sections 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 34, 35, and 36; Township 12 North, Range 18 East, Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, and 36; Township 12 North, Range 19 East, Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, and 36; Township 12 North, Range 20 East, Sections 18, 19, 29, 30, 31, 32, and 33; Township 11 North, Range 17 East, Section 1; and Township 11 North, Range 18 East, Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, and 13; Township 11 North, Range 19 East, Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, and 34; and Township 11 North, Range 20 East, Sections 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 16, 17, and 18, as shown on the attached map.