

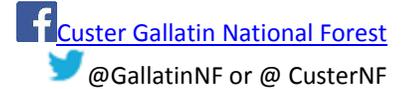


## Custer Gallatin National Forest

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# News Release

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## Community Conversations Showcase Results to Date

*June Forest Plan Revision Public Meetings will Focus on Early Assessment & Need to Change Ideas*

**Bozeman, MT** – June 14 – 30 the Custer Gallatin National Forest will host a second set of public meetings across various communities focusing on the preliminary results from the Assessment of Existing Conditions to date and also providing a forum for community conversations around initial thoughts on the need to change the Custer and Gallatin Forest plans. In January, the 3.1 million acre Custer Gallatin National Forest started on Forest Plan Revision, a four year process that will ultimately give way to a new forest plan.

The Forest Plan is an overarching document that provides guidance for forest management on the Custer Gallatin National Forest for years to come. “Initial public meetings were well attended and we heard from a variety of people,” said Forest Plan Revision Team Leader, Virginia Kelly, “with this second set of meetings we would like to start the conversation out focusing on what we’ve found to date, changes that we see coming to the forest plans; while also providing an opportunity to hear from those attending the meetings and webinars about what they care about and want to see from the Forest.”

### **Public meetings are set for 8 communities, along with 3 webinars:**

- Tuesday, June 14 – Ashland, MT – 4:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. – Ashland Public School
- Wednesday, June 15 – Ekalaka, MT – 4:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. – Carter County Fairgrounds Building
- Thursday, June 16 – Buffalo, SD – 4:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. – Buffalo Recreation Center
- Monday, June 20 – Big Timber, MT – 4:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. – Sweet Grass County High School Cafeteria
- Tuesday, June 21 – Red Lodge, MT – 4:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. – Edgar Gruell Bldg, Carbon County Fairgrounds
- Wednesday, June 22 – Gardiner, MT – 4:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. – Gardiner Community Center
- Tuesday, June 28 – West Yellowstone, MT – 4:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. – Povah Community Center
- Wednesday, June 29 – Bozeman, MT – 4:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. – Chief Joseph Middle School Multipurpose Rm.

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**Webinar (Virtual Option):** *\*All times listed are Mountain Standard Time, webinars available on mobile device through Adobe Connect App.*

- Thursday, June 23 – 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
- Thursday, June 30 - **Two Sessions** – 12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. OR 4:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

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Forest Plan Revision meetings provide an overview of where we are in the process, the opportunity to share local knowledge, while also giving a preview of what's coming next. Meetings will begin with one on one time, followed by a brief presentation by Forest staff and concluding with topic conversations and feedback. Opportunities to provide information will exist.

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