OPERATOR RESPONSIBILITIES

Operating a motor vehicle on National Forest System roads, National Forest System trails, and in areas on National Forest System lands carries a greater responsibility than operating that vehicle in a city or other developed setting. Not only must you know and follow all applicable traffic laws, you need to show concern for the environment as well as other forest users. The misuse of motor vehicles can lead to the temporary or permanent closure of any designated road, trail, or area. As a motor vehicle operator, you are also subject to State traffic law, including State requirements for licensing, registration, and operation of the vehicle in question.

Motor vehicle use, especially off-highway vehicle use, involves inherent risks that may cause property damage, serious injury, and possibly death to participants. Drive cautiously and anticipate rough surfaces and features, such as snow, mud, vegetation, and water crossings common to remote driving conditions. By your participation, you voluntarily assume full responsibility for these damages, risks, and dangers. Take care at all times to protect yourself and those under your responsibility.

Much of the Townsend Ranger District is remote. Medical assistance may not be readily available. Cellular telephones do not work in many areas of the Townsend Ranger District. Take adequate food, water, first-aid supplies, and other equipment appropriate for the conditions and expected weather.

ALWAYS REMEMBER TO RESPECT PRIVATE LAND! PROTECT YOUR PRIVILEGE. STAY ON DESIGNATED ROADS AND TRAILS AND IN DESIGNATED AREAS.

Read and understand this map in its entirety. If you have questions please contact the Helena National Forest or Townsend Ranger District for clarification.

As a motor vehicle operator on a National Forest System road, trail, or area, you must comply with this map, as well as all Federal, State, and local laws and regulations. Compliance with these rules is your responsibility.

PROHIBITIONS

It is prohibited to possess or operate a motor vehicle on National Forest System lands on the Townsend Ranger District other than in accordance with these designations (36 CFR 261.13).

Violators of 36 CFR 261.13 are subject to a fine of up to $5,000, imprisonment for up to 6 months, or both (18 U.S.C. 3571(e)). This prohibition applies regardless of the presence or absence of signs.

This map does not display nonmotorized uses, over-snow uses, or other facilities and attractions on the Townsend Ranger District. Obtain forest visitor information from the local national forest office.

Designated roads, trails, and areas may also be subject to temporary, emergency closures. As a visitor, you must comply with signs notifying you of such restrictions. A national forest may issue an order to close a road, trail, or area on a temporary basis to protect the life, health or safety of forest visitors or the natural or cultural resources in these areas. Such a temporary and/or emergency closures are consistent with the Travel Management Rule (36 CFR 212.52 (b), 36 CFR 261 subpart B).

The designation "road or trail open to all motor vehicles" does not supersede State traffic law.

Motor Vehicle Use Map

Helena National Forest
Townsend Ranger District
South Big Belt Mountains (South View)

Montana Forest Service 2015

United States Department of Agriculture

INFORMATION SOURCES

Townsend Ranger District
415 S Front Street
Townsend, MT 59644
406-266-3425

Helena National Forest
2880 Skyway Drive
Helena, MT 59602
406-449-5201

FS-873-0112

Legend

- Roads Open to Highway Legal Vehicles
- Roads Open to All Vehicles
- Trails Open to Vehicles 50" or Less in Width
- Trails Open to Motorcycles Only
- Seasonal Designation (See Table)
- Dispersed Camping See Special Explanations
- Interstate
- Highways, US, State
- Other Public Roads
- Peaks
- Forest or Unit Boundary
- National Forest System Lands
- Non-National Forest System Lands within the National Forest
- Political Boundary
- Township and Range Lines
- Section Lines

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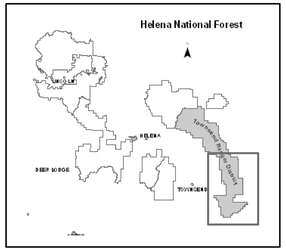

PURPOSE AND CONTENTS OF THIS MAP

The designations shown on this motor vehicle use map are effective as of the date on the front cover and will remain in effect until superseded by the next year's motor vehicle use map. It is the responsibility of the user to acquire the current MVUM. This map shows the National Forest System roads and National Forest System trails on National Forest System lands in the Helena National Forest, Townsend Ranger District that are designated for motor vehicle use pursuant to 36 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 212.51. This map also contains a list of those designated roads, trails, and areas; the types of vehicles that are allowed on each route and in each area; and any seasonal restrictions that apply on those routes and in those areas.

Designation of a road, trail, or area for motor vehicle use by a particular class of vehicle under 36 CFR 212.51 should not be interpreted as encouraging or inviting use or implying that the road, trail, or area is passable, actively maintained, or safe for travel. Motor vehicle designations include parking along designated routes and at facilities associated with designated routes when it is safe to do so and when not causing damage to National Forest System resources. Seasonal weather conditions and natural events may render designated roads and trails impassable for extended periods. Designated areas may contain dangerous or impassable terrain. Many designated roads and trails may be passable only by high-clearance vehicles or four-wheel-drive vehicles. Maintenance of designated roads and trails will depend on available resources, and many may receive little maintenance.

This motor vehicle use map identifies those roads, trails, and areas designated for the motor vehicle use under 36 CFR 212.51 for the purpose of enforcing the prohibition at 36 CFR 261.13. This is a limited purpose. The other public roads are shown for information and navigation purposes only and are not subject to designation under the Forest Service travel management regulation.

These designations apply only to National Forest System roads, National Forest System trails, and areas on National Forest System lands.

EXPLANATION OF LEGEND ITEMS

Roads Open to Highway Legal Vehicles Only:

These roads are open only to motor vehicles licensed under State law for general operation on all public roads within the State.

Roads Open to All Vehicles:

These roads are open to all motor vehicles, including smaller off-highway vehicles that may not be licensed for highway use (but not to oversize or overweight vehicles under State traffic law).

Trails Open to Vehicles 50"or Less in Width:

These trails are open only to motor vehicles less than 50 inches in width at the widest point on the vehicle.

Trails Open to Motorcycles Only:

These trails are open only to motorcycles. Sidecars are not permitted.

Seasonal Designation:

This symbol, used in conjunction with one of the other road or trail symbols, indicates that the road or trail is open only during certain portions of the year. Refer to Seasonal and Special Designation Table for further instructions.

Dispersed Camping

This symbol is used along with a designated road or trail to indicate limited cross-country motor vehicle use within a specific distance of that route, solely for the purpose of dispersed camping. The dots indicate where this activity is permitted. They may be on the left, right, or both sides of the route. Refer to the Dispersed CampingTable for specifics.

Other Public Roads:

- Interstate
- Highways, U.S., State
- Other Public Roads

These symbols are used to show routes the Forest Service does not have jurisdiction over and has not designated for motorized use. These symbols are part of the reference layers showing connections to towns and cities outside the forest boundary.

Special Explanations

Dispersed Camping:
Wheeled motorized vehicle travel for dispersed camping is allowed up to 300 feet from the center line of designated system roads or trails during the period the road or trail is open as long as

1. No new permanent routes are created by this activity
2. No damage to existing vegetation, soil or water resources
3. Travel off-route does not cross streams, and
4. Travel off-route does not traverse riparian or wet areas

Skidway Campground loop roads are subject to the same designation dates as road 4042

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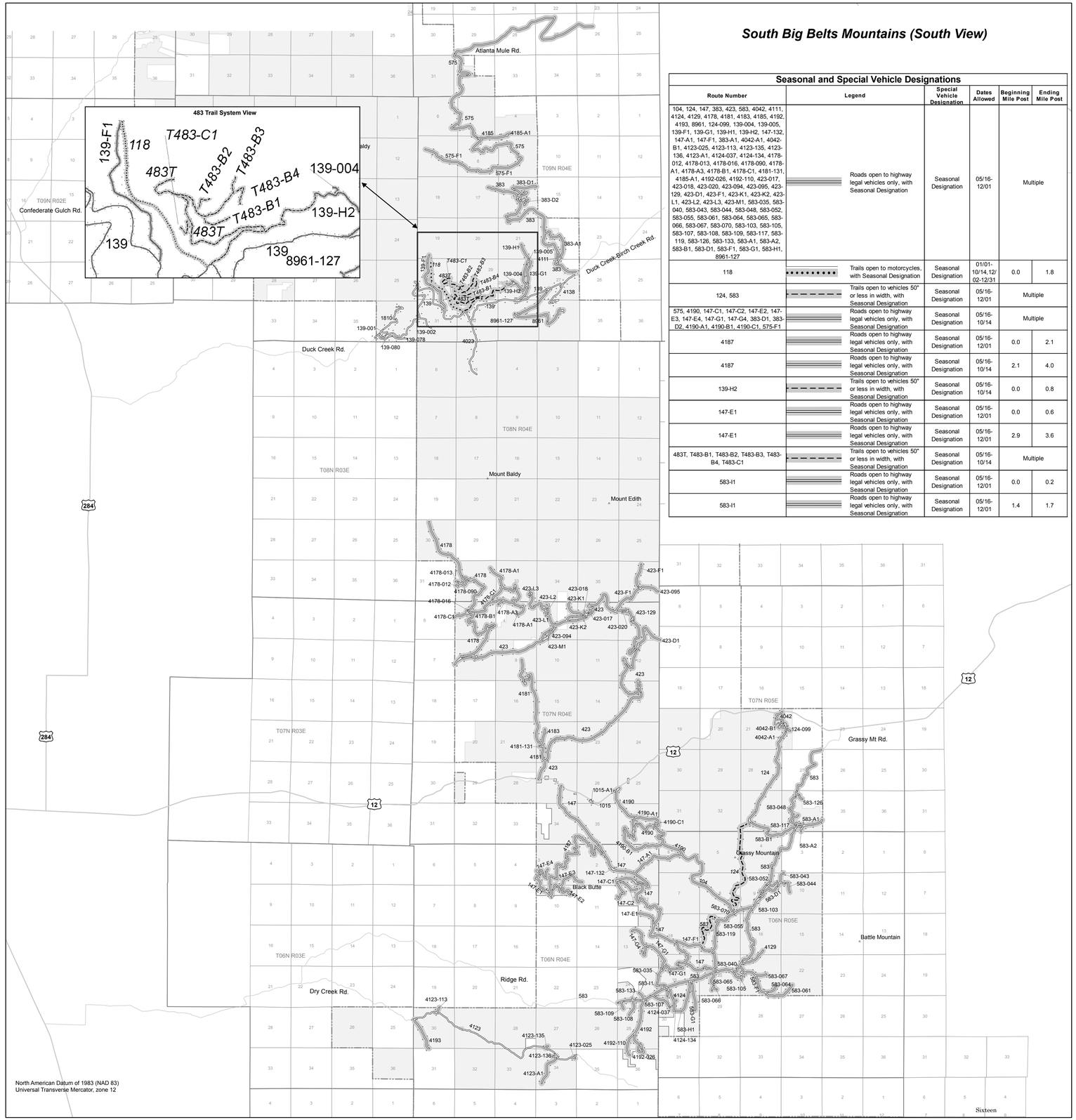

South Big Belts Mountains (South View)

Seasonal and Special Vehicle Designations

Route Number	Legend	Special Vehicle Designation	Dates Allowed	Beginning Mile Post	Ending Mile Post
104, 124, 147, 383, 423, 583, 4042, 4111, 4124, 4129, 4178, 4181, 4183, 4185, 4192, 4193, 8961, 124-099, 139-004, 139-005, 139-F1, 139-G1, 139-H1, 139-H2, 147-132, 147-A1, 147-F1, 383-A1, 4042-A1, 4042-B1, 4123-025, 4123-113, 4123-135, 4123-136, 4123-A1, 4124-037, 4124-134, 4178-012, 4178-013, 4178-016, 4178-090, 4178-A1, 4178-A3, 4178-B1, 4178-C1, 4181-131, 4185-A1, 4192-026, 4192-110, 423-017, 423-018, 423-020, 423-094, 423-095, 423-129, 423-D1, 423-F1, 423-K1, 423-K2, 423-L1, 423-L2, 423-L3, 423-M1, 583-035, 583-040, 583-043, 583-044, 583-048, 583-052, 583-055, 583-061, 583-064, 583-065, 583-066, 583-067, 583-070, 583-103, 583-105, 583-107, 583-108, 583-109, 583-117, 583-119, 583-126, 583-133, 583-A1, 583-A2, 583-B1, 583-D1, 583-F1, 583-G1, 583-H1, 8961-127	Roads open to highway legal vehicles only, with Seasonal Designation	Seasonal Designation	05/16-12/01	Multiple	
118	Trails open to motorcycles, with Seasonal Designation	Seasonal Designation	01/01-10/14,12/02-12/31	0.0	1.8
124, 583	Trails open to vehicles 50" or less in width, with Seasonal Designation	Seasonal Designation	05/16-12/01	Multiple	
575, 4190, 147-C1, 147-C2, 147-E2, 147-E3, 147-E4, 147-G1, 147-G4, 383-D1, 383-D2, 4190-A1, 4190-B1, 4190-C1, 575-F1	Roads open to highway legal vehicles only, with Seasonal Designation	Seasonal Designation	05/16-10/14	Multiple	
4187	Roads open to highway legal vehicles only, with Seasonal Designation	Seasonal Designation	05/16-12/01	0.0	2.1
4187	Roads open to highway legal vehicles only, with Seasonal Designation	Seasonal Designation	05/16-10/14	2.1	4.0
139-H2	Trails open to vehicles 50" or less in width, with Seasonal Designation	Seasonal Designation	05/16-10/14	0.0	0.8
147-E1	Roads open to highway legal vehicles only, with Seasonal Designation	Seasonal Designation	05/16-12/01	0.0	0.6
147-E1	Roads open to highway legal vehicles only, with Seasonal Designation	Seasonal Designation	05/16-12/01	2.9	3.6
483T, T483-B1, T483-B2, T483-B3, T483-B4, T483-C1	Trails open to vehicles 50" or less in width, with Seasonal Designation	Seasonal Designation	05/16-10/14	Multiple	
583-I1	Roads open to highway legal vehicles only, with Seasonal Designation	Seasonal Designation	05/16-12/01	0.0	0.2
583-I1	Roads open to highway legal vehicles only, with Seasonal Designation	Seasonal Designation	05/16-12/01	1.4	1.7

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