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DRAFT DECISION SIGNED FOR TRAIL CREEK FIRE SALVAGE

KALISPELL, MT., August 1, 2016 – The Spotted Bear Ranger District of the Flathead National Forest has released a draft decision for the Trail Creek Fire Salvage Project. The project is located two miles east of the Spotted Bear Ranger Station.

The draft Decision Notice would approve approximately 834 acres of commercial harvest; approximately 3.3 miles of new system roads, that would be placed into storage following harvest; 1.61 miles of temporary road construction; reforestation; shrub planting; a culvert removal; and hazard tree removal along 2 miles of roads open seasonally, in and near developed recreation areas, and along 15.9 miles of system trails.

The release of the draft Decision Notice starts the 45 day objection process. A final decision is expected in November.

For additional information on the project, the objection process, and the requirements for filing an objection, please visit the Flathead National Forest internet site at <http://www.fs.usda.gov/goto/flathead/projects>, or contact the Project Leader, Matt Shaffer, at (406) 758-3508.

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