

Management Areas 2015

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Summary

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Final layer providing the following MAs, and identifying primary (MA_ITEM1) and overlapping (MA_ITEM2, MA_ITEM3) MAs. Some management areas overlap. In those cases, the following hierarchy is used to identify which MAs will be found in MA_ITEM1 and which in MA_ITEM2/MA_ITEM3. Order of hierarchy modified for MA 1c and MA 1b.

Hierarchy for overlapping:

1a - Wilderness

4 - Research Natural Areas (RNA)

1c - Wilderness Study Area (WSA)

1b - Recommended Wilderness

2 - Eligible Wild and Scenic Rivers

3 - Special Areas (SA) - Botanical, Geological, Historical, Recreational, Scenic, or Zoological Areas

7 - Primary Recreation Areas

Then all of these as next level of hierarchy, w/ no overlapping:

5a - Backcountry - Non-motorized Year-round

5b - Backcountry - Motorized Year-round (Summer only designated routes/areas)

5c - Backcountry - Motorized Winter; Non-motorized Summer

6 - General Forest

ot = Other Land Ownership (State, Federal, corporate, private)

wt = water

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Adjustments from Alt B Modified include 1) modifications/additions to MA 2 from review and validation of eligible wild and scenic rivers finalized 03/28/14 for Ross Creek and Callahan Creek WSRs and WSR classification change for lower Yaak River. 2) Allocation of Whitefish Divide area to MA 5a as per Alternative D. 3) Allocation of 26,000 acres of Ten Lakes WCA to MA 1b. 11/25/14

Addition of FS lands at Frank Lake as MA 3 10/23/14

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