

Shoshone National Forest

Travel Management Planning



Agenda for Today's Meeting

- ▶ Welcome and introductions.
 - ▶ Recap the Travel Management process and timeline.
 - ▶ Review proposals received so far for loops, additional trails, and closures.
 - ▶ Provide written comment on existing proposals (comment form).
 - ▶ Opportunity to provide new proposals (proposal form).
 - ▶ Next Steps.
 - ▶ Learn about an application for mobile devices.
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2005 Travel Management Rule

- ▶ *Sustainable* system of roads, trails, and areas.
 - ▶ Class of vehicle and season of use.
 - ▶ Prohibits use off the designated system.
 - ▶ Decisions made locally, with input.
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What is your role?

- ▶ Engage in the process of working collaboratively with other users to find common ground in developing solutions.
 - ▶ Provide feedback and proposals.
 - ▶ Attend meetings and field trips.
 - ▶ Stay informed – newsletters, website, Facebook, email.
 - ▶ Be part of the solution and share accountability for the final product.
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What is the Forest Service role?



- ▶ Shepherd the process from start to finish.
- ▶ Encourage public involvement and collaboration.
- ▶ Keeper of the process.
- ▶ Conduct environmental analysis.
- ▶ Make the final decision.

Travel Management Timeline

Date	Tasks
2015 summer	Work with public to develop proposed action.
2015 Fall	Conduct September workshop.
2015/2016 Winter	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Work with public to develop Proposed Action• Conduct winter use meetings
2016 Spring	Proposed Action and Scoping – Start of official NEPA Process
2016 Summer	Develop Alternatives
2017 Spring	Draft EIS

Questions about Travel Management Process?



What we heard at the June Meeting and summer field trip:

- ▶ No surprise that there was disagreement as to the adequacy of existing system.
 - ▶ Desire for adding loop opportunities.
 - ▶ Concern about the lack of compliance and the need to improve enforcement.
 - ▶ Desire to increase the number of participants.
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Proposals

- ▶ The proposals reflect both those submitted by the community and Forest Service.
 - ▶ Important to remember there are no “right” or “wrong” proposals; each has its merits and concerns.
 - ▶ Interested in hearing your thoughts on the proposals and if you have any new ones to submit.
 - ▶ Desire is to seek a consensus on proposals as we develop a Proposed Action.
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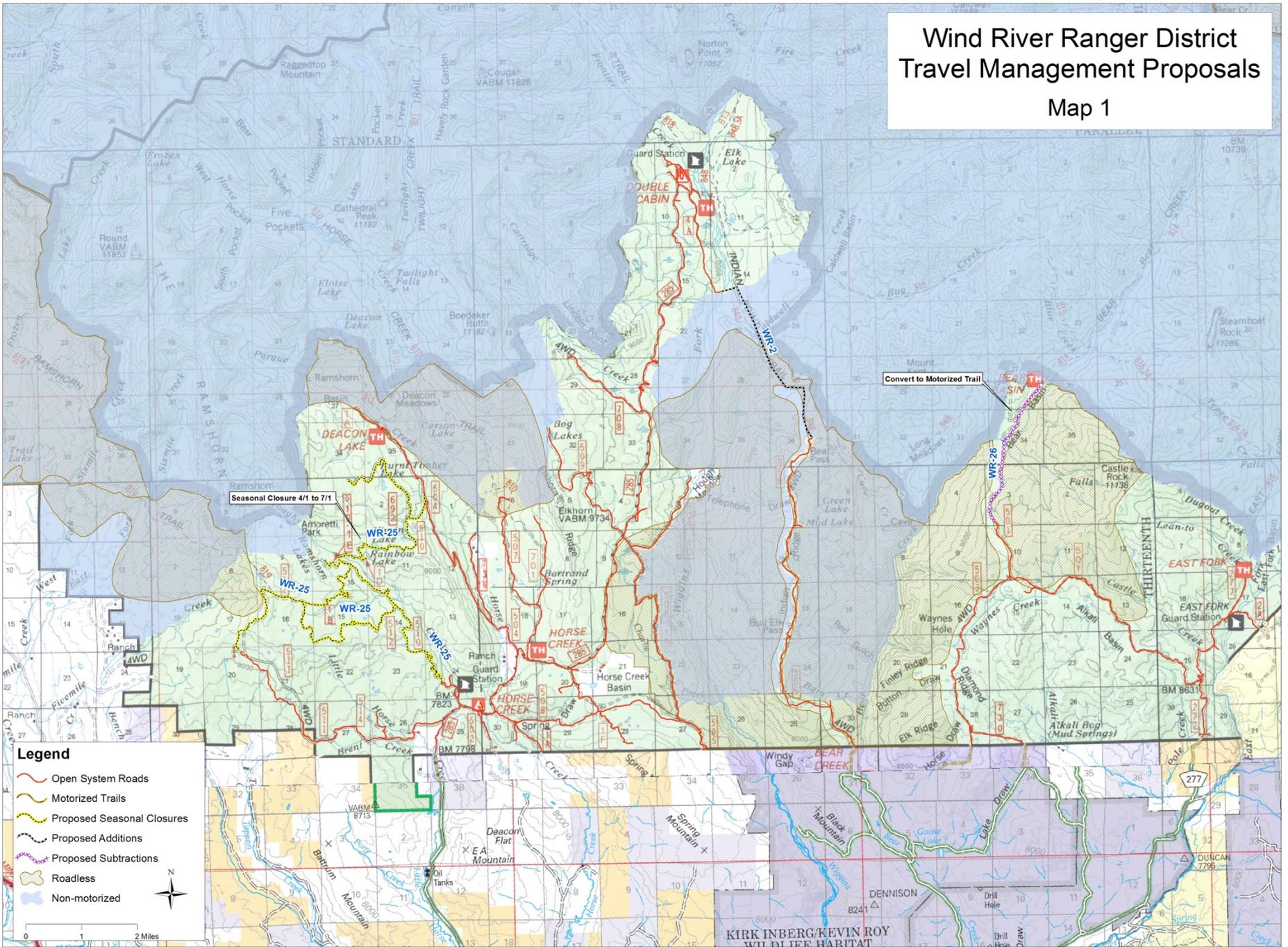
Proposed Action

- ▶ This represents the Forest's desired way to implement the revision of the Motor Vehicle Use Map.
- ▶ The Forest will evaluate the proposals on a series of screens (these could include such things as):
 - Adherence to Forest Plan direction
 - Known resource concerns
 - Impact on potential compliance
 - Impact on character of the Forest

Comment and Proposal Forms

- ▶ One for comments.
- ▶ One for new proposals.
- ▶ Would appreciate responses by October 31st.

Wind River Ranger District Travel Management Proposals Map 1



Seasonal Closure 4/1 to 7/1

Convert to Motorized Trail

Legend

- Open System Roads
- Motorized Trails
- Proposed Seasonal Closures
- Proposed Additions
- Proposed Subtractions
- Roadless
- Non-motorized

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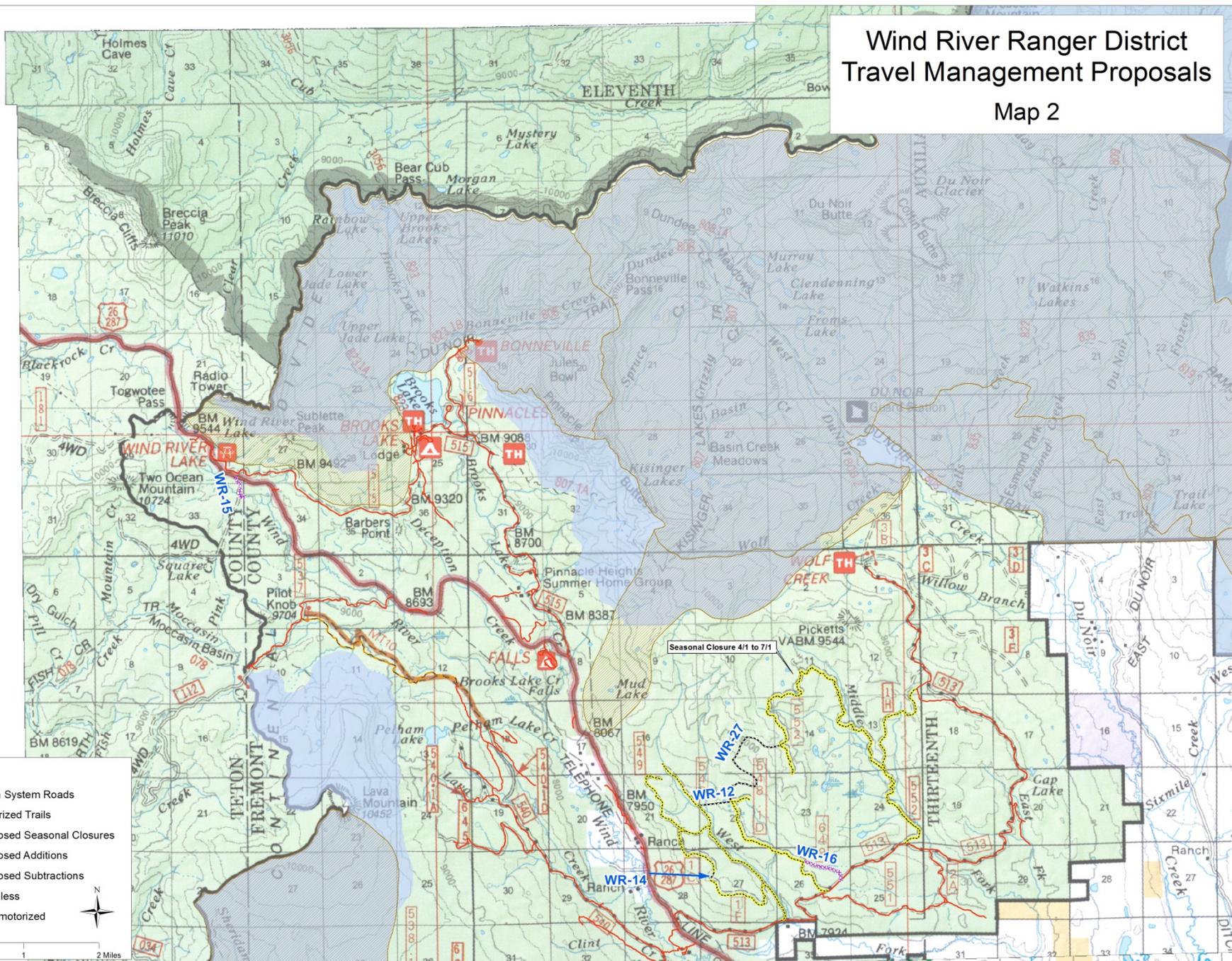
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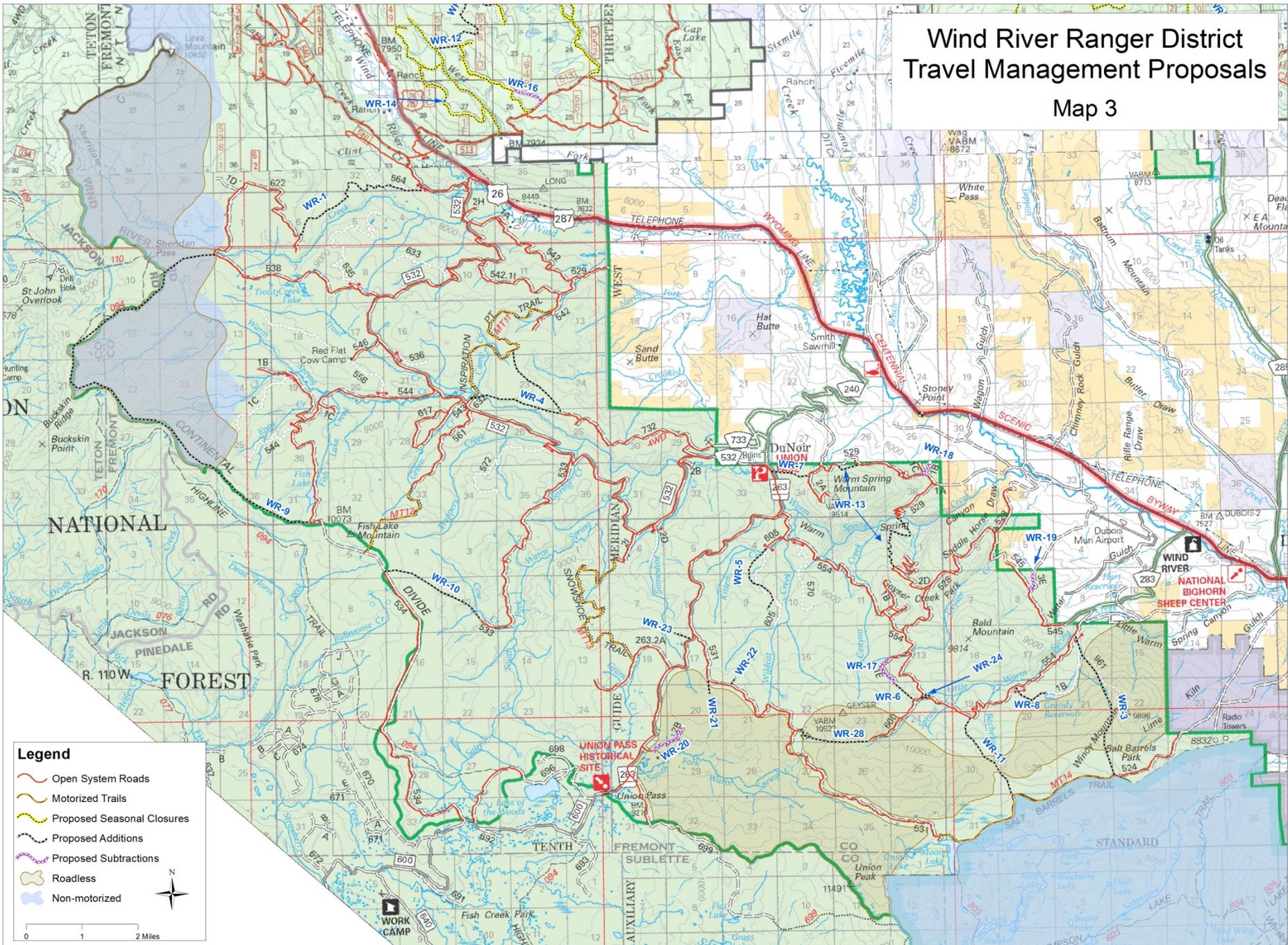
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Wind River Ranger District Travel Management Proposals

Map 3



Comments

- ▶ Time to comment on proposals and/or submit new ones.
 - Be specific



Travel Management – Next Steps

- ▶ **Finalize Proposed Action for Summer Travel**
 - Another meeting in mid-December
 - ▶ **Conduct Meeting for Winter Travel**
 - Possibly combine with summer meeting
 - Possible field trip(s)
 - ▶ **Conduct Winter Use Workshop**
 - Feb 2 @ Headwaters
 - ▶ **Conduct education and compliance summit**
 - First part of March
 - ▶ **Finalize Proposed Action for Winter Travel**
 - Develop with public and agency input
 - ▶ **Initiate Public Scoping Process**
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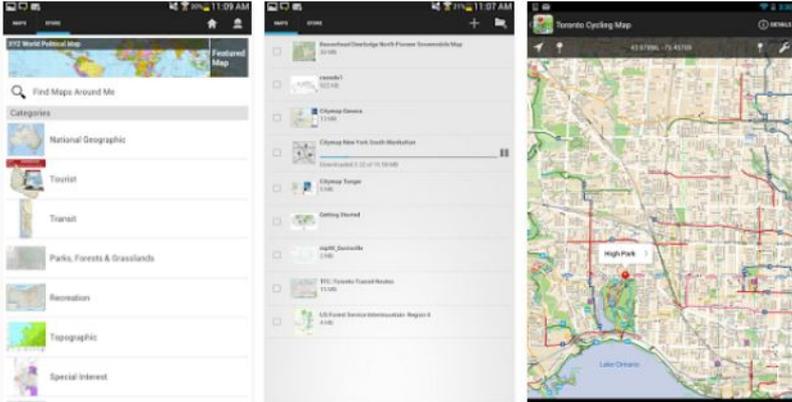
- Access to a variety of visitor maps including Motor Vehicle Use Map (MVUM).
- For android and iOS devices.
- MVUM is free.
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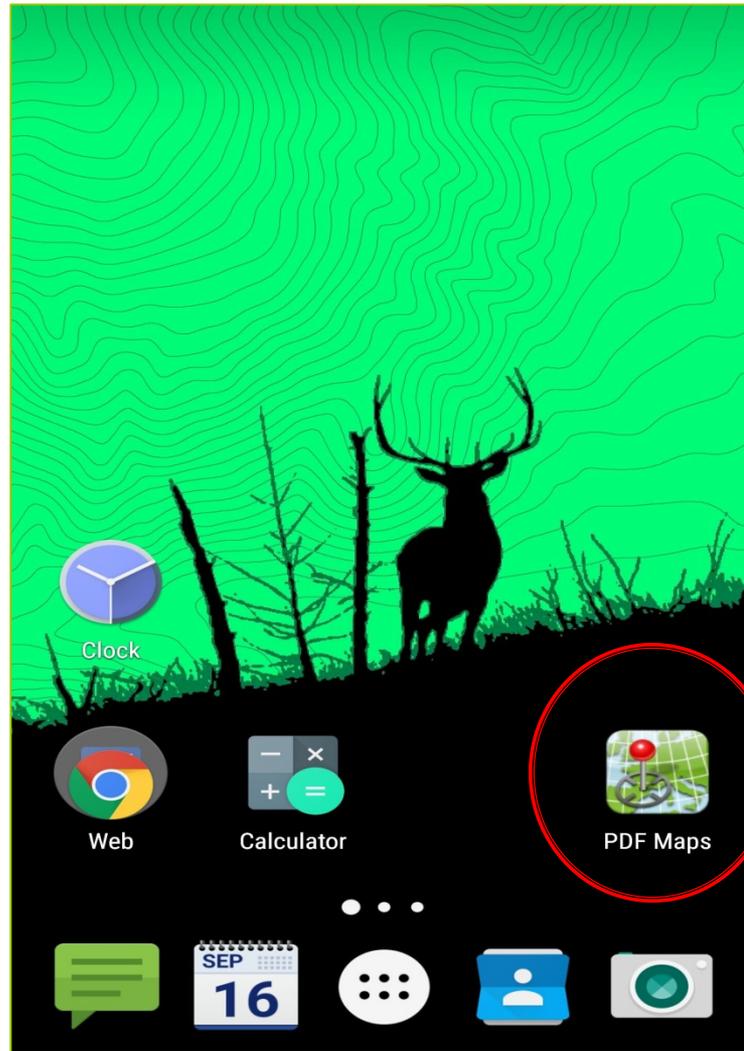


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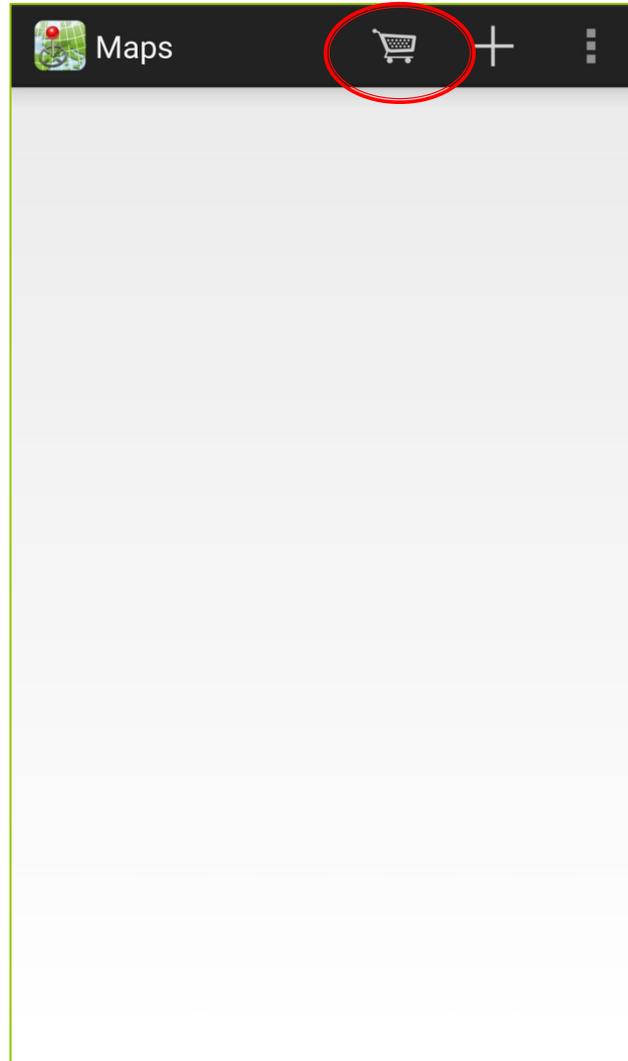
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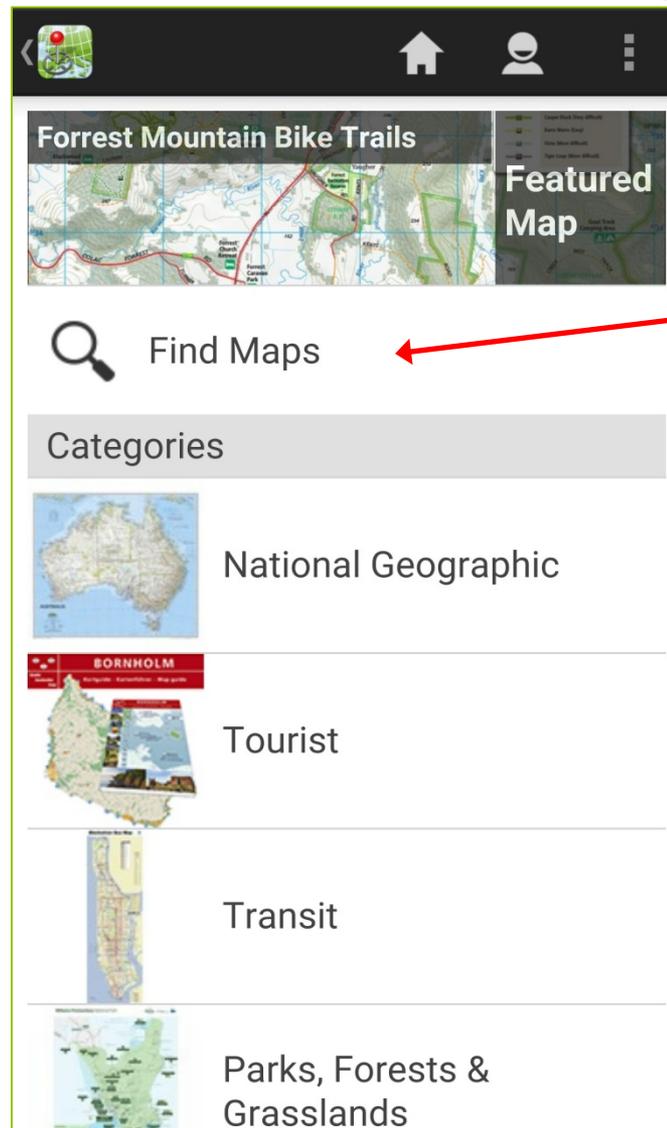
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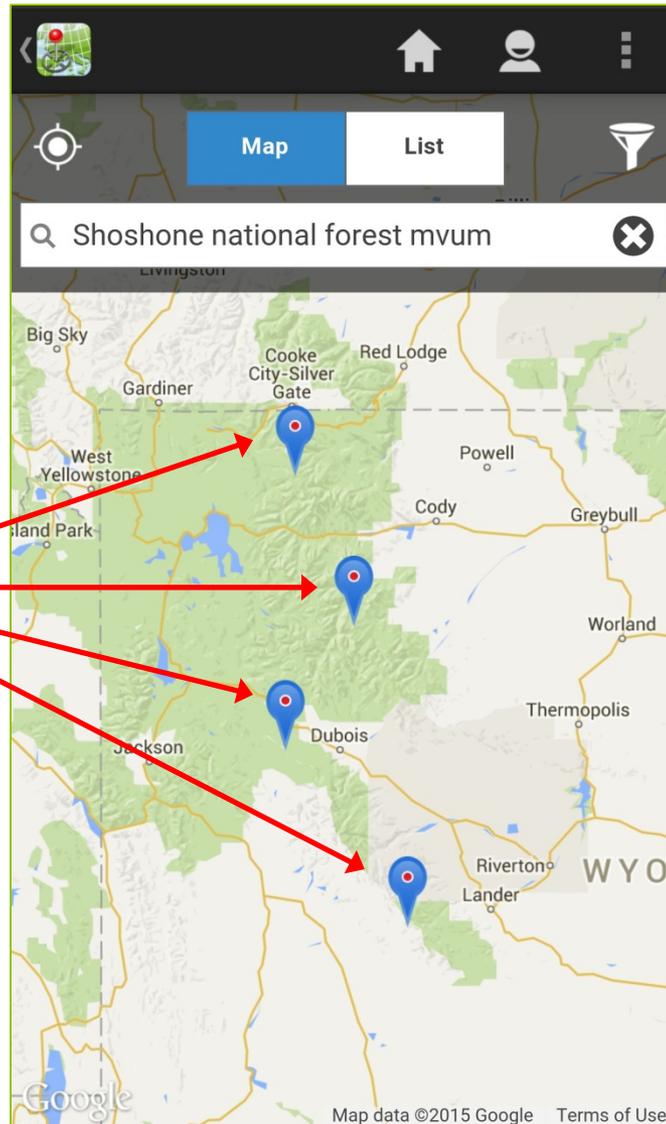
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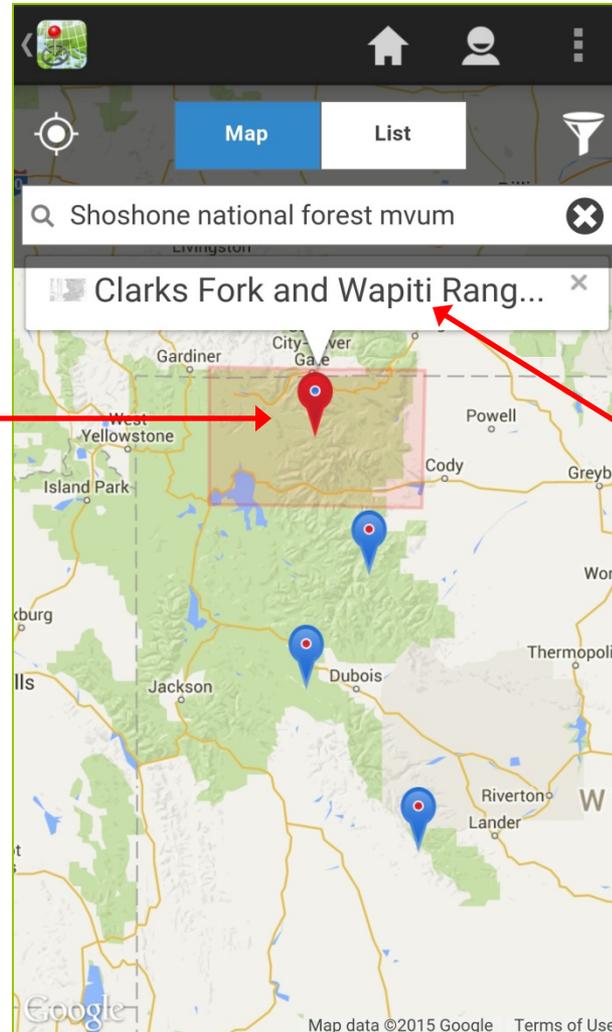


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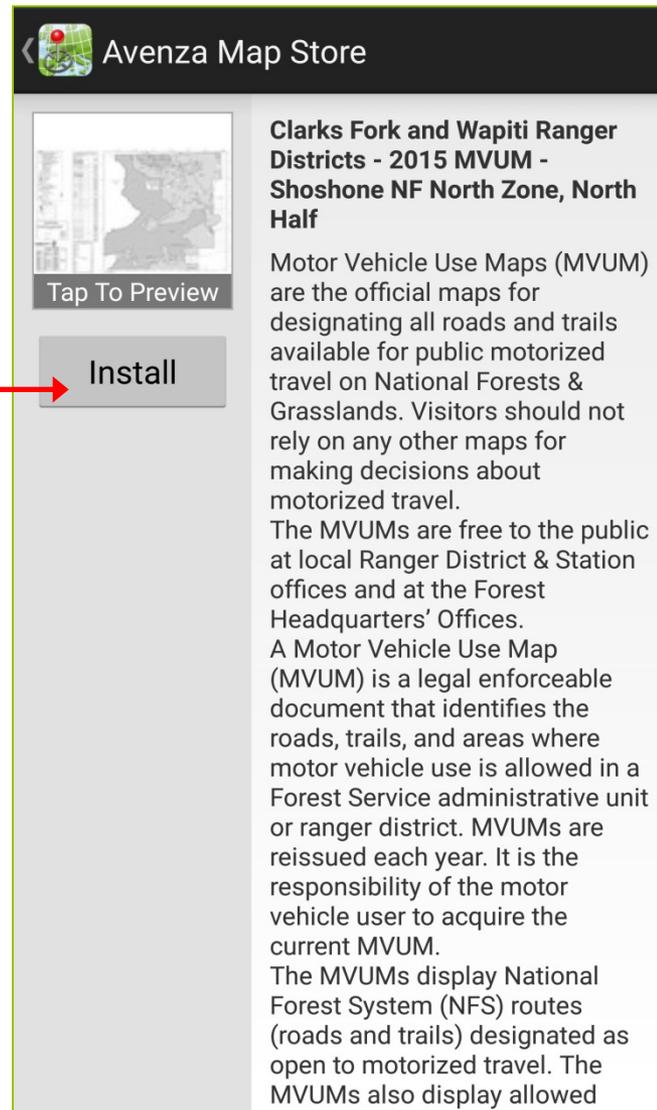
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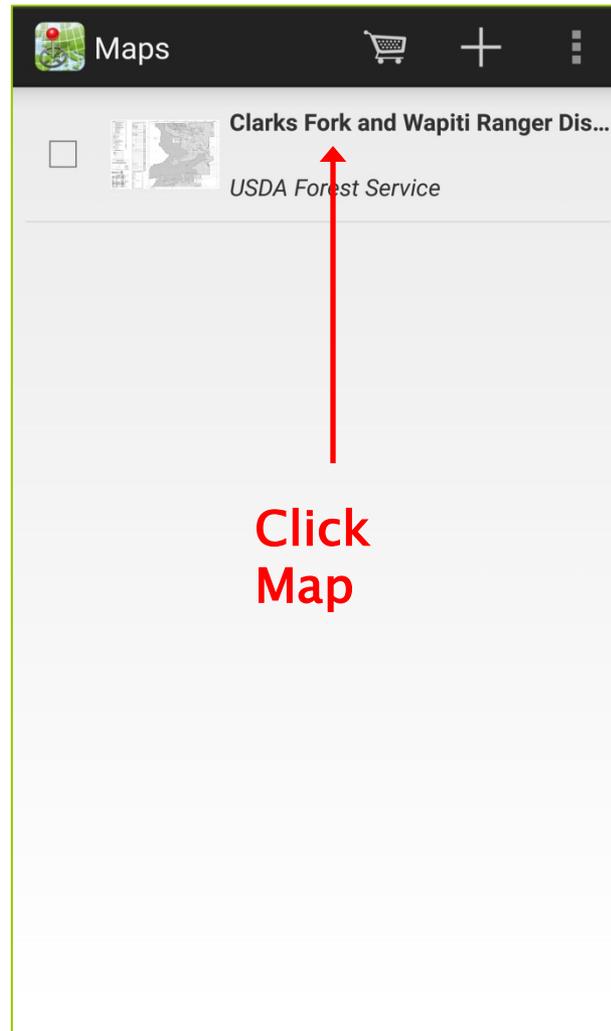
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