

Bangtails Travel Planning Area

A. Travel Area Goals, Objectives, Standards and Guidelines

GOAL 1: Summer Recreation Use. Provide opportunities for pleasure driving, ATV, motorcycle and mountain bike use primarily, with lesser emphasis on a non-motorized road/trail system designed exclusively for hiking and horse use.

OBJ. 1-1: Achieve the summer recreation opportunities identified in GOAL 1 through the route-by-route management decisions made through this Travel Plan. Any future proposals to change the uses specified should be done in consideration of the targeted recreation setting to be provided [see the “Recreation Opportunity Spectrum” (ROS) map for summer uses (October, 2006)] which is hereby incorporated by reference.

OBJ. 1-2: Provide up to 5 miles of additional ATV/motorcycle and mountain bike connector routes.

GOAL 2: Winter Recreation Use. Provide opportunities for snowmobiling, cross-country skiing and snowshoeing.

OBJ. 2-1: Achieve the winter recreation opportunities identified in GOAL 2 through the marked and groomed route management decisions made through this Travel Plan along with decisions made on the area available to snowmobiles. Any future proposals to change the uses specified should be done in consideration of the targeted recreation setting to be provided [see the “Recreation Opportunity Spectrum” (ROS) map for winter uses (October, 2006)] which is hereby incorporated by reference.

OBJ. 2-2: Parking Facility. Provide a parking facility to accommodate snowmobile transport vehicles along the first 2 or 3 miles of the Jackson Creek Road (#977).

GOAL 3: Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout Habitat. Provide a road and trail system that results in contributed sediment levels that maintains Yellowstone cutthroat trout habitat at 90% of its potential habitat capability.

In this Travel Planning Area, this goal is pursued through application of Forest-wide standards.

GOAL 4: Other Resource Protection. Provide a road and trail system that accommodates traffic consistent with protecting soil and watershed condition.

OBJ. 4-1: Repair damage to road and trail system and schedule maintenance to attain conditions that are non-erosive.

OBJ. 4-2: Provide interpretive/educational signing along motorized routes and in affected areas, asking users seeking camp spots to stay out of wet, muddy and shrubby areas,

and to keep vehicles (and campsites) a minimum distance (e.g. 50 feet) from lakes, ponds, rivers and streams.

B. Alternative Route-By-Route Management

[See attached table.](#)

