Porcupine-Buffalo Horn Travel Planning Area

A. Travel Area Goals, Objectives, Standards and Guidelines

GOAL 1: Summer Recreation Use. Provide travel opportunities for non-motorized and motorized summer recreation use with an emphasis on hiking, biking and horseback riding.

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.

GOAL 2: Winter Recreation Use. Provide a winter recreation opportunity for backcountry snowmobiling and cross-country skiing/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.

GOAL 3: Other Resource Protection. Provide a trail system that accommodates recreation traffic consistent with protecting soil and watershed condition and maintaining wildlife security.

OBJ. 3-1: Repair damage to trails from recreational livestock use.

OBJ. 3-2: Rehabilitate and recontour the Rock Creek Road outside of the Wilderness Study Area boundary.

OBJ. 3-3. Provide interpretive/educational signing along motorized routes and in affected areas, asking motorized 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.

GOAL 4: Wilderness Character. Manage the Hyalite/Porcupine-Buffalo Horn Wilderness Study Area to sustain the recreation setting and existing Wilderness characteristics as they were in 1977 and to preserve the area for future consideration as Wilderness.

OBJ. 4-1: Through monitoring and modification of use patterns, manage designated uses of roads and trails to meet Goal 4.
B. Alternative Route-By-Route Management

See attached table.