Using TRADITIONAL TOOLS In Black Elk Wilderness

To preserve the character and experience of wilderness, Black Hills National Forest trail crews and volunteers use traditional, human powered tools when maintaining trails in wilderness areas.

The Wilderness Act, 1964

“A Wilderness, in contrast with those areas where man and his own works dominate the landscape, is hereby recognized as an area where the earth and its community of life are untrammeled by man, where man himself is a visitor who does not remain.”