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Motor Vehicle Use Map
Lewis and Clark National Forest
Little Belt Mountains

PURPOSE AND CONTENTS OF THIS MAP

The designations shown on this map are effective as of the date stamped or printed on the front cover. This map shows the National Forest System roads, National Forest System trails, and the areas on National Forest System lands in the Lewis and Clark National Forest that are designated for motor vehicle use pursuant to 36 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 212.51. This map also contains a list of those designated roads, trails, and areas; the types of vehicles that are allowed on each route and in each area; and any seasonal restrictions that apply on those routes and in those areas.

Designation of a road, trail, or area for motor vehicle use by a particular class of vehicle under 36 CFR 212.51 should not be interpreted as encouraging or inviting use or implying that the road, trail or area is passable, actively maintained, or safe for travel. Motor vehicle designations include parking along designated routes and at facilities associated with designated routes when it is safe to do so and when not causing damage to National Forest System resources. Seasonal weather conditions and natural events may render designated routes and trails impassable for extended periods. Designated areas may contain dangerous or impassable terrain. Many designated roads and trails may be passable only by high-clearance vehicles or four-wheel-drive vehicles. Maintenance of designated roads and trails will depend on available resources, and many may receive little maintenance.

This motor vehicle use map identifies those roads, trails, and areas designated for the motor vehicle use under 36 CFR 212.51 for the purpose of enforcing the prohibition at 36 CFR 261.13. This is a limited purpose. The other public roads are shown for information and navigation purposes only and are not subject to designation under the Forest Service travel management regulation.

These designations apply only to National Forest System roads, National Forest System trails, and areas on National Forest System lands.

Legend

- Roads Open to Highway Legal Vehicles
- Roads Open to All Vehicles
- Trails Open to All Vehicles
- Trails Open to Motorcycles Only
- Special Vehicle Designation (See Table on Back of Map)
- Seasonal Designation (See Table on Back of Map)
- Highways, U.S. State
- Other Public Roads
- Other Public Trails
- Short Route Identifier (See Tables on Back)
- Milepost Marker (See Tables on Back)
- FS Campground
- Motorized Trailhead
- Information Site
- Peaks
- Forest or Unit Boundary
- National Forest System Lands
- Non-National Forest System Lands within the National Forest
- Township and Range Lines
- Section Lines
- Lakes and Rivers

EXPLANATION OF LEGEND ITEMS

Roads Open to Highway Legal Vehicles Only:
These roads are open only to motor vehicles licensed under State law for general operation on all public roads within the state.

Roads Open to All Vehicles:
These roads are open to all motor vehicles, including smaller off-highway vehicles that may not be licensed for highway use (but not to oversize or overweight vehicles under State traffic law).

Trails Open to All Vehicles:
These trails are open to all motor vehicles, including both highway legal and nonhighway legal vehicles.

Trails Open to Motorcycles Only:
These trails are open only to motorcycles. Sidecars are not permitted.

Special Vehicle Designation:
This symbol indicates the road or trail is open to classes of vehicles other than those listed above. Refer to the Seasonal and Special Designation Table for further instructions.

Seasonal Designation:
This symbol, used in conjunction with one of the other road or trail symbols, indicates that the road or trail is open only during certain portions of the year. Refer to Seasonal and Special Designation Table for further instructions.

Other Public Roads and Trails:
Highways, U.S. State
Other Public Roads
Other Public Trails
These symbols are used to show routes the Forest Service does not have jurisdiction over and has not designated for motorized use. These symbols are part of the reference layers showing connections to towns and cities outside the forest boundary.

Short Route Identifier:
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This symbol is used for roads that are too short to show a symbol type on the map. The symbol contains the number of the road or trail. Users should refer to the corresponding number in the Short Route Table for designation information.

Milepost Marker:
This symbol is used to display the beginning and ending mileposts of a road that has a change in the designation but not the symbology.

Motorized Trail Access:
This symbol indicates a trailhead for access to a motorized route. Not all motorized routes have trailheads and those that do may range from primitive to developed.

PROHIBITIONS

It is prohibited to possess or operate a motor vehicle on National Forest System lands on the Lewis and Clark National Forest other than in accordance with these designations (CFR 261.13).

Violators of 36 CFR 261.13 are subject to a fine of up to \$5,000, imprisonment for up to 6 months, or both (U.S.C. 3571 (e)). This prohibition applies regardless of the presence or absence of signs.

This map does not display nonmotorized uses, over-snow uses, or other facilities and attractions on the Lewis and Clark National Forest. Obtain forest visitor information from the local national forest office.

Designated roads, trails and areas may also be subject to temporary, emergency closures. As a visitor, you must comply with signs notifying you of such restrictions. A national forest may issue an order to close a road, trail or area on a temporary basis to protect the life, health, or safety of forest visitors or the natural or cultural resources in these areas. Such a temporary and/or emergency closures are consistent with the Travel Management Rule (36 CFR 212.52 (b), 36 CFR 261 subpart B).

The designation "road or trail open to all motor vehicles" does not supersede State traffic law.

OPERATOR RESPONSIBILITIES

Operating a motor vehicle on National Forest System roads, National Forest System trails, and in areas on National Forest System lands carries a greater responsibility than operating that vehicle in a city or other developed setting. Not only must you know and follow all applicable traffic laws, you need to show concern for the environment as well as other forest users. The misuse of motor vehicles can lead to the temporary or permanent closure of any designated road, trail, or area. As a motor vehicle operator, you are also subject to State traffic law, including State requirements for licensing, registration, and operation of the vehicle in question.

Motor vehicle use, especially off-highway vehicle use, involves inherent risks that may cause property damage, serious injury, and possibly death to participants. Drive cautiously and anticipate rough surfaces and features, such as snow, mud, vegetation, and water crossings common to remote driving conditions. By your participation, you voluntarily assume full responsibility for these damages, risks, and dangers. Take care at all times to protect yourself and those under your responsibility.

Much of the Lewis and Clark National Forest is remote. Medical assistance may not be readily available. Cellular telephones do not work in many areas of the Lewis and Clark National Forest. Take adequate food, water, first-aid supplies, and other equipment appropriate for the conditions and expected weather.

ALWAYS REMEMBER TO RESPECT PRIVATE LAND! PROTECT YOUR PRIVILEGE. STAY ON DESIGNATED ROADS AND TRAILS AND IN DESIGNATED AREAS.

Read and understand this map in its entirety. If you have questions, please contact the Lewis and Clark National Forest for clarification.

As a motor vehicle operator on a National Forest System road, trail, or area you must comply with this map, as well as all Federal, State, and local laws and regulations. Compliance with these rules is your responsibility.

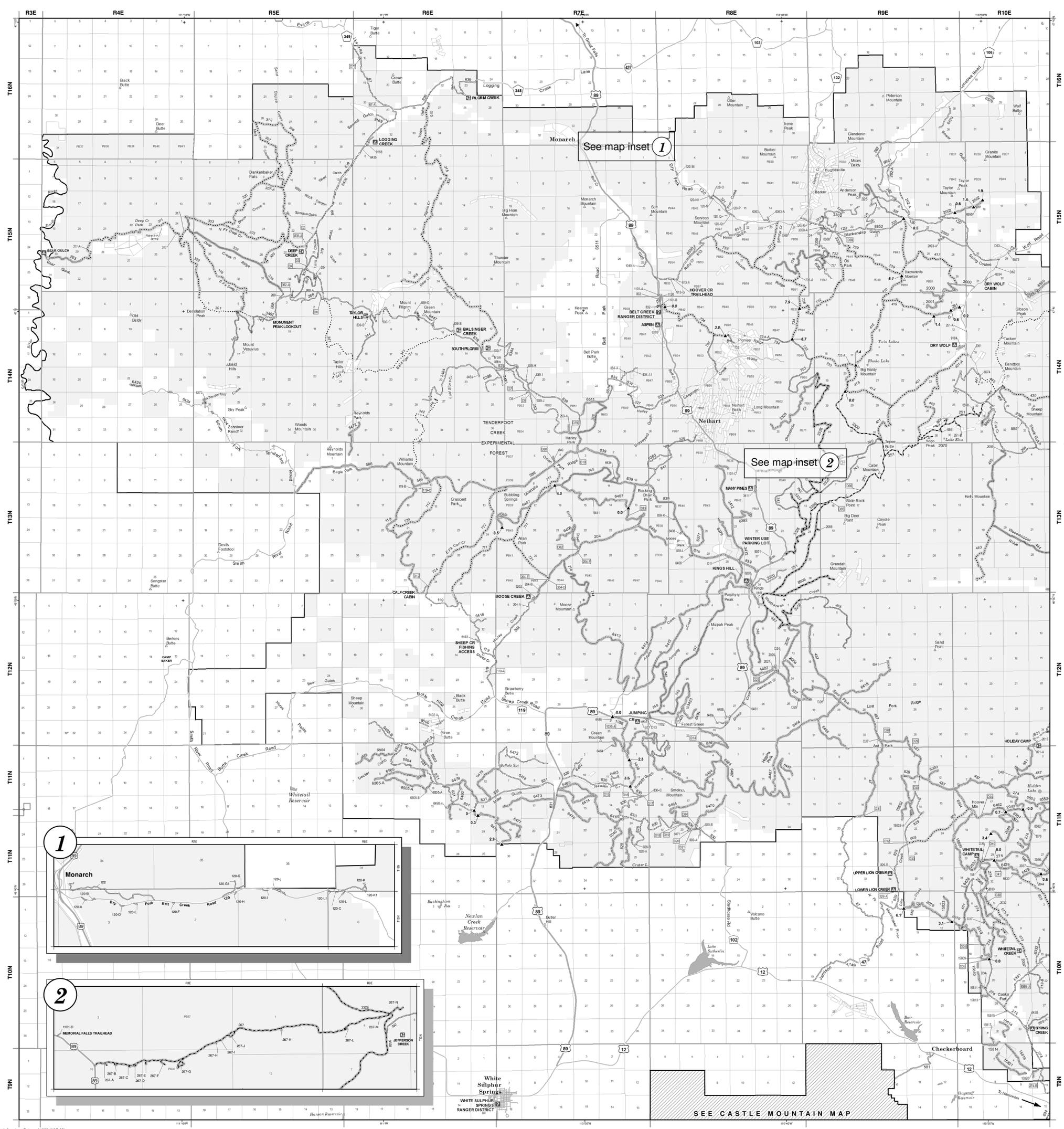
Special Vehicle Definitions

ATV (All Terrain Vehicle) - Motorized trail vehicle less than or equal to 50-inches in width with three or more low pressure tires, handle-bar steering and a seat designed to be straddled by the operator.

Motorcycle - Motorized trail vehicle with two wheels (one behind the other) with a seat designed to be straddled by the operator, 40-inches or less in width, capable of being operated on a single-track trail with a maximum tread width of 18-inches.

Motorized Mixed-Use
Please see Montana Code Annotated 61-5-104(1)(f) or contact the Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks at (406) 444-2535 for information regarding state laws concerning motorized use on Forest roads open to all vehicles.

More Travel Plan information as well as copies of these maps can be found at:
<http://www.fs.fed.us/r1/lewisclark/projects/mv-index.shtml>



INFORMATION SOURCES

Lewis and Clark National Forest
1101 15th Street N
Great Falls, MT 59405
(406) 791-7700

Judith Ranger District
109 Central Ave.
Stanford, MT 59479
(406) 566-2292

Musselshell Ranger District
809 2nd Street NW
Harlowton, MT 59036
(406) 632-4391

White Sulphur Spring Ranger District
204 W. Folson
White Sulphur Springs, MT 59645
(406) 547-3361

Belt Creek Ranger District
4234 US Highway 89
North
Neihart, MT 59465
(406) 236-5511

In Emergencies
Contact the local sheriff's department or call 911

To report poaching, hunting or fishing violations, OHV violations, littering, theft or destruction of natural and cultural resources, and any other crimes on public land, call:

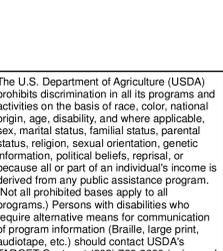
1-800-TIP-MONT



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