



# Wild River

Characterized by steep slopes and flashy streams, the Wild River justifies its name by rising quickly during rain storms. With rain fall exceeding 14 inches in some areas of the drainage, Wild River rose from a normal 3 foot level to a 17 foot level at the height of the storm. With such a high flow came heavy debris flows and significant erosion. During the storm a debris dam built up funneling a portion of the Wild River down a side channel. This flow associated with the side channel eroded the Wild River Trail, leaving a 4 foot trench in some places.



Massive erosion has affected trail tread and adjacent trails.



As a *Treasured Landscape* site, the Forest is excited to have the National Forest Foundation helping to restore this trail.



The heavy rain and massive flow of water created a side channel during the storm.

