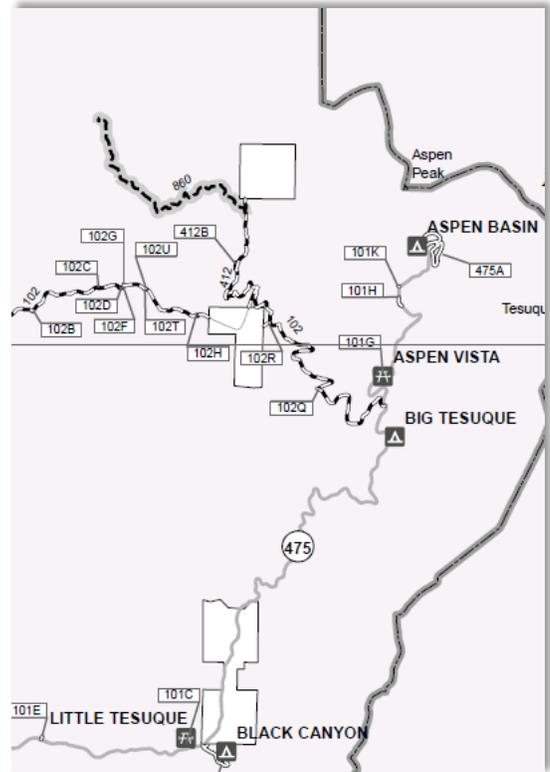


## Guidance On Use Of A Travel Aid For Google Earth

**Background** - The published Motor Vehicle Use Map (MVUM) is the official document-of-record that designates roads, trails, and areas open to public motorized use on the Santa Fe National Forest. An example is illustrated at right.

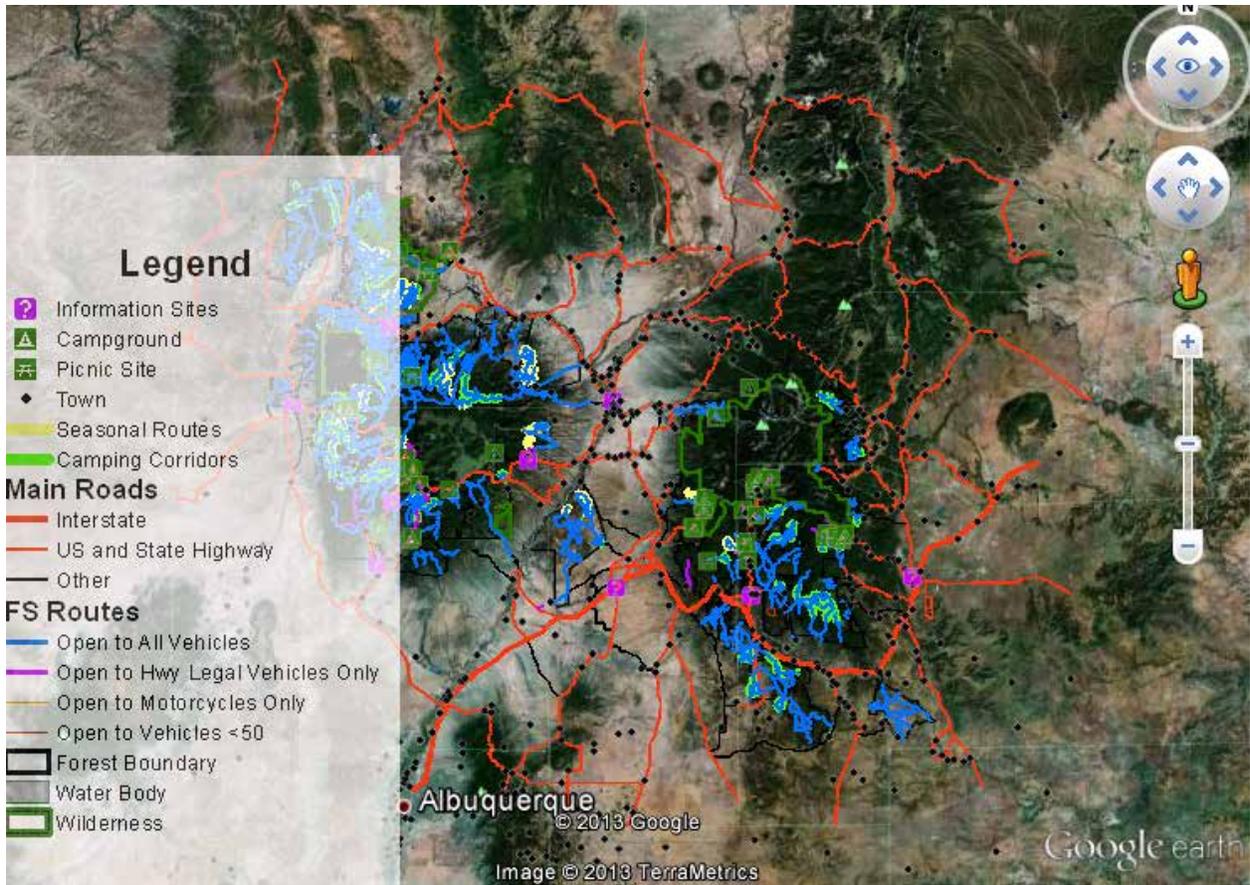
The published MVUM contains important information about road, trail, and area designations that motorists should always have close at hand. However, the MVUM's large size could make it difficult to handle, or refer to, while travelling, and some motorists have found that the MVUM's small map scale and spare design make it difficult to locate themselves with confidence along the roads and trails that it portrays.

The Santa Fe National Forest has developed travel aids for orientation in Google Earth and Google Maps. These are: ***Santa FE NF-TravelAid\_GoogleEarth.kmz*** and ***Santa Fe NF-TravelAid\_GoogleMaps.zip***.



## Google Earth KMZ

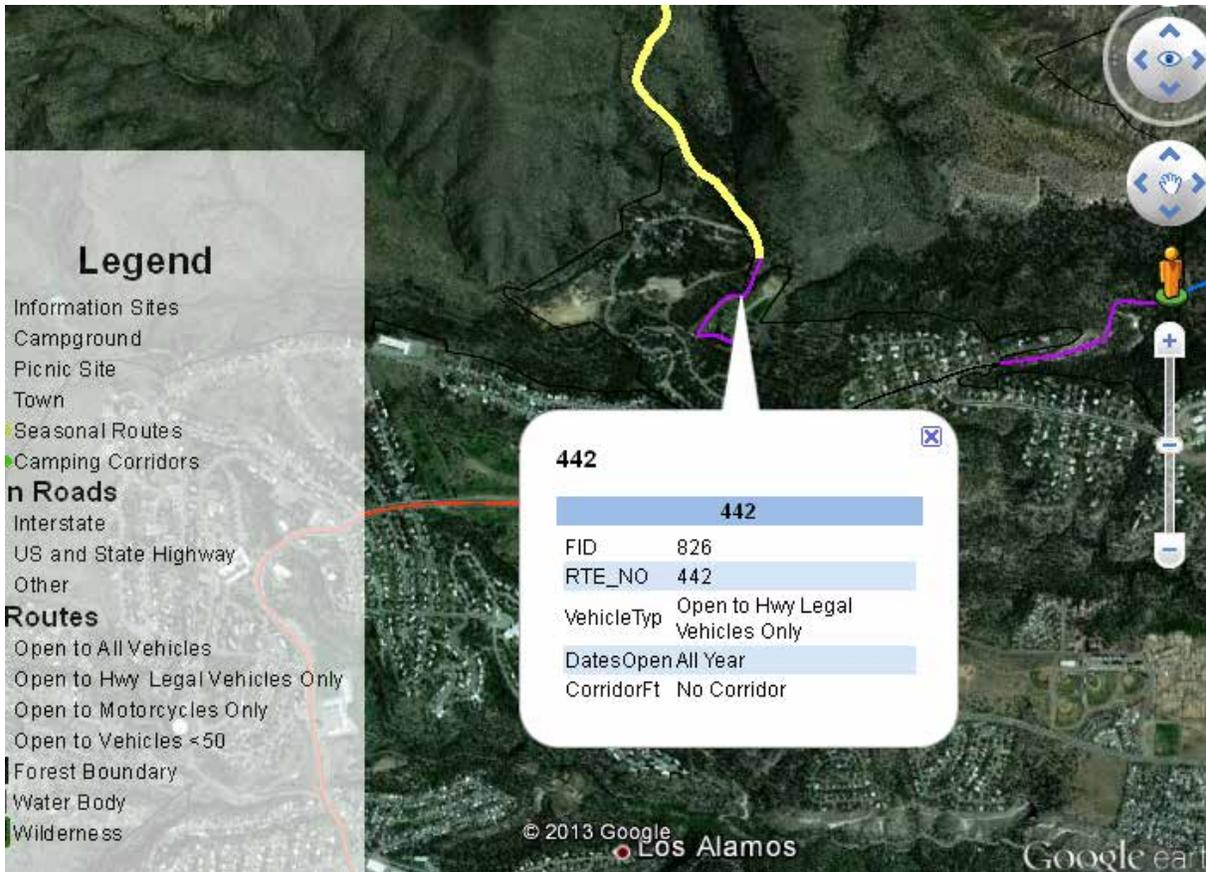
To activate the Google Earth KMZ simply double click the file and it will open up in Google Earth. Google Earth can be downloaded for free here: <http://www.google.com/earth/download/ge/agree.html> and instructions on its use can also be found there.



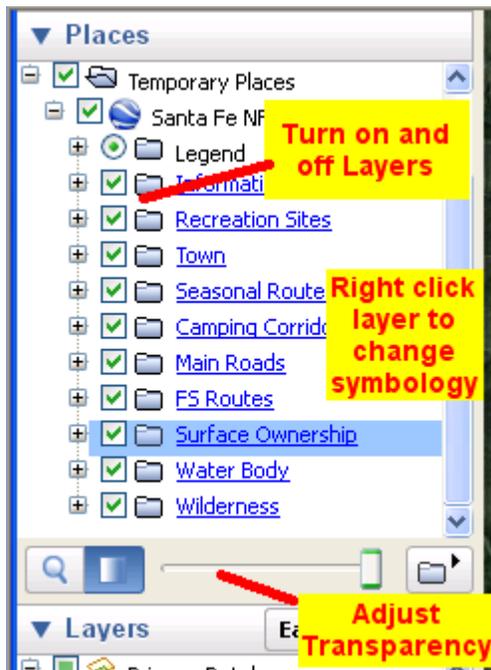
Once in Google Earth, you can zoom to the area you would like to visit, and then click on a Road to see its name, and any restrictions on its use.

Note: If you experience problems with the display of the map overlay in Google Earth you may want to upgrade to a newer version or change the StartUp from DirectX mode to OpenGL mode or visa versa.

<http://support.google.com/earth/bin/answer.py?hl=en&answer=176176&topic=2376770&ctx=topic>). Consult Google Earth Help for other troubleshooting issues.



To help you navigate you may want to turn on and off layers of the Travel Aid, or adjust the transparency by sliding the 'Adjust Opacity' slide-bar.



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