



## Flathead National Forest

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## Media Release

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### **Temporary Load Limits on Flathead National Forest Roads**

#### *Soft Road Conditions Prompt Temporary Restrictions*

KALISPELL, MONT. – Warm weather, snow melt and spring rains are creating soft road surfaces and spring “break up” conditions on many Flathead National Forest roads, prompting temporary road closures and load limits across the forest. For the next few months forest road managers will check conditions and sign roads as “closed” or assign a load limit as appropriate based on the local conditions.

Forest System Road (FSR) #10815 (Cedar Flats Road) is temporarily closed to the public to allow the road to dry. The road remains open to residential traffic.

Flathead National Forest Supervisor Chip Weber says, “Temporary restrictions are important so we can protect the road surface and ensure that the road drainage works properly. We ask all forest users to respect these spring break-up restrictions. Traveling on soft road beds can cause damage which often results in longer-term closures to fix the problems.”

For updated information on temporary road restrictions on the Flathead National Forest contact the individual ranger district: Hungry Horse/Glacier View at 387-3800; Tally Lake at 758-5204; or Swan Lake at 837-7500.

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