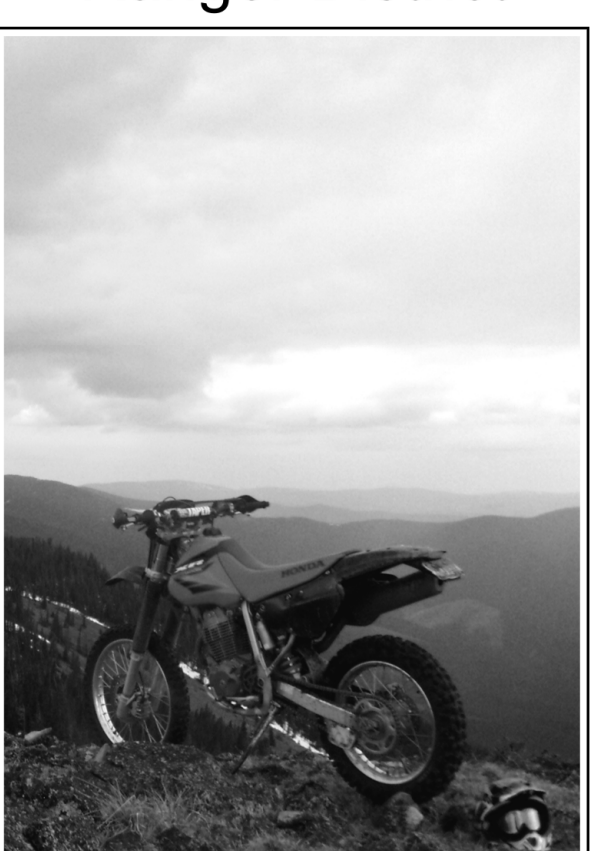


Motor Vehicle Use Map Bitterroot National Forest West Fork Ranger District



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For Emergencies Call 911

• Current Bitterroot National Forest Visitor Maps (North and South) are available at all District and Supervisor's Offices, and specific retail outlets.

• Bitterroot National Forest web pages:
<https://www.fs.usda.gov/D1/Bitterroot>
<https://www.fs.usda.gov/D1/Bitterroot/visitor>

• Montana and Idaho Official Highway Maps (for free distribution at most Forest Offices, Chambers of Commerce and State Visitor Centers).



Seasonal and Special Vehicle Designations		
Route Number	Dates Allowed	Beginning Mile Post Ending Mile Post
Roads open to all Vehicles, with Seasonal Designation		
224, 468, 468A, 468B, 468C, 468D, 468E, 468F, 468G, 468H, 468I, 468J, 468K, 468L, 468M, 468N, 6223, 6223A, 6223B, 6223C, 6223F, 6223G	04/01-11/30	
Trails open to motorcycles, with Seasonal Designation		
55, 162, 184, 248, 676	12/02-10/14	
627	06/16-10/14	
Special Vehicle Designation		
All Wheeled Vehicles 50 Inches Wide or Less		
74138, 74179, 74180	01/01-12/31	
Special Vehicle Designation, with Seasonal Designation		
All Wheeled Vehicles 50 Inches Wide or Less		
49, 361	12/02-10/14	
730	06/16-10/14	
5633B	12/02-10/14	
5635	06/16-08/31	
5637	12/02-10/14	
5648, 5649	06/16-10/14	
5662, 5677, 5685, 5694	12/02-10/14	
5699	06/16-10/14	
5703, 5706, 5718, 5719, 13412	12/02-10/14	
13428	06/16-10/14	
13441, 13443, 13444, 13445, 13448, 13449, 13476, 13829, 13837, 13876	12/02-10/14	
62413, 62887, 74996	06/16-10/14	

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Legend

- Roads Open to Highway Legal Vehicles
- Trails Open to Wheeled Vehicles 50" Less in Width
- Trails Open to Motorcycles Only
- Special Vehicle Designation (See Table)
- Seasonal Designation (See Table)
- US or State Highway
- Other Public Roads
- Other Public Trails
- Short Route Identifier
- Milepost Marker
- FS Campground
- Picnic Area
- Motorist Trailhead
- Information Site
- Peaks
- Forest or Unit Boundary
- National Forest System Lands
- Non-National Forest System Lands within the National Forest
- Wilderness Areas
- Township/Range Lines
- Section Lines
- Lakes and Rivers
- State Boundary

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 laws).

Trails Open to Wheeled Vehicles 50" or less in Width:
These trails are open only to wheeled, motor vehicles less than 50 inches in width at the widest point on the vehicle.

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 periods of the year. Refer to Seasonal and Special Designation Table for further instructions.

Other Public Roads:
US State Highway
Other Public Roads
Other Public Trails

Short Route Identifier:
70333
This symbol is used to label routes in high density areas or routes that are too short to show a symbol type on the map. The symbol contains the number of the road or trail.

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

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 Bitterroot National Forest other than in accordance with these designations (36 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 (18 U.S.C. 3671(e)). This prohibition applies regardless of the presence or absence of signs.

This map does not display nonmotorized uses, over-snow vehicle uses, or other facilities and attractions on the Bitterroot 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 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 closure is 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.

Medical assistance may not be readily available. Cellular telephones do not work in many areas of the Bitterroot 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.

Road and trail designations in this map are for information only. If you have questions, please contact the Bitterroot 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.

E-BIKES

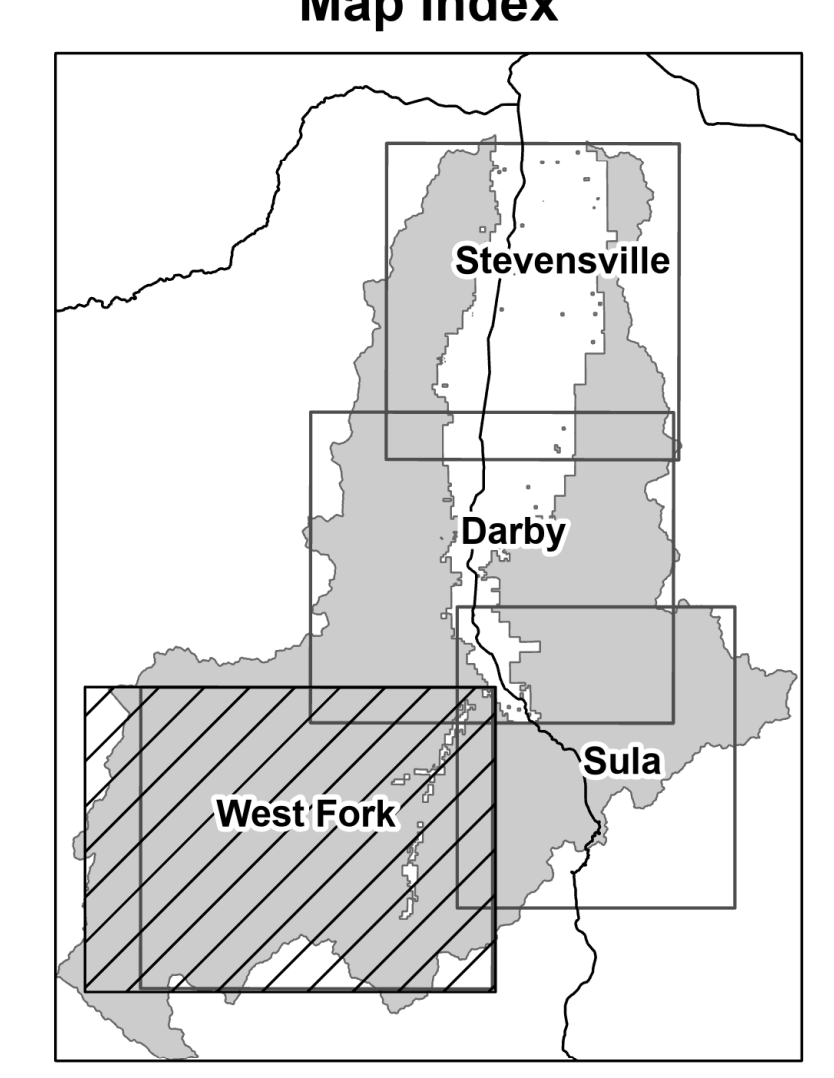
The Forest Service manages e-bikes as a motor vehicle. Classes 1, 2, and 3 e-bikes are allowed on roads designated for all classes of motor vehicles and roads designated for motorized mixed use. Classes 1, 2, and 3 e-bikes are also allowed on trails open to all classes of motor vehicles, including motorcycles, and trails designated for those classes of e-bikes. Refer to the Seasonal and Special Vehicle Designation Table for roads and trails that have restrictions on the use of e-bikes.

DISPERSED CAMPING AND PARKING

Motor vehicle use off of designated roads and trails for the purpose of dispersed camping is permitted on National Forest Lands for up to 300 feet from the centerline of the road or trail. Dispersed camping using non-motorized access is allowed throughout the Bitterroot National Forest, as long as resource damage does not occur. Campsite selection must be completed by non-motorized means, and then accessed by the most direct route (no more than 300 feet) without causing resource damage (CFR 261.15). Cutting, damaging or harming (such as driving over) trees or vegetation is not allowed to access dispersed campsites (CFR 261.15). Moving, going around, over, or past barriers on roads (e.g., piles, rocks, berms, signs, etc.) is not allowed (CFR 261.15). Motor vehicle use off a forest road or trail for purposes of dispersed camping shall be at least 30 feet from a stream, wetland or other body of water. Camping adjacent to water sources is permitted; however, access must be by non-motorized means.

Motor vehicles may be parked up to 20 feet from the edge of the road surface when it is safe to do so without causing damage to NFS resources or facilities, unless prohibited by state law, a traffic law, or an order (36 CFR 261.154).

It is prohibited to operate any vehicle off National Forest System, State, or County roads in a manner which damages or unreasonably disturbs the land, wildlife, or vegetative resources (CFR 261.15 (f)). There is no off-road motorized trail allowed for game retrieval or wood cutting on the Bitterroot National Forest.



Seasonal and Special Vehicle Designations

Route Number	Dates Allowed	Beginning Mile Post	Ending Mile Post
Trails open to Wheeled Vehicles 50" or less in width, with Seasonal Designation			
185	12/02-10/14	0.00	6.87
248, 672, 674	12/02-10/14		10.74
5633A, 5663, 5702	12/02-10/14		
06/16-10/14			
5706A, 5724A, 5724B, 13400, 13402, 13403, 13404, 13413	12/02-10/14		
13415, 13426, 13427, 13429	06/16-10/14		
13442, 13450, 13451, 13452, 13453, 13454, 13455, 13484	12/02-10/14		
13469	06/16-10/14		
13485, 13486, 13487, 13489, 13492	12/02-10/14		
13815, 13817	06/16-10/14		
13844, 13845, 13847, 13849, 13850	06/16-10/14		
13852, 13853, 13854, 13862, 13869, 13877, 13878	12/02-10/14		
13881, 62978, 62982	06/16-10/14		
74004, 74005, 74009, 74019, 74020, 74021	12/02-10/14		
74026, 74048, 74051, 74052, 74053, 74056, 74062, 74063, 74064, 74065, 74066, 74067, 74068, 74070, 74077, 74080, 74081, 74082, 74084, 74085, 74086, 74087, 74088, 74089, 74090, 74091, 74092, 74094, 74095, 74096, 74097, 74098, 74099, 74100, 74101, 74102, 74105	06/16-10/14		
74112, 74113, 74145, 74146, 74161, 74163, 74166, 74167, 74182	12/02-10/14		
74183, 74184, 74202, 74203, 74204, 74205, 74206, 74207, 74182	06/16-10/14		
74214, 74221, 74224, 74225, 74226	12/02-10/14		
74228	12/02-10/14		
74304	12/02-10/14		
74038	04/01-11/30		
74071, 74073, 74083	06/16-10/14		
74114, 74115	04/01-11/30		
74123, 74203, 74305, 74306	06/16-10/14		

West Fork Short Route Table

Route Designation	Short Number	Length in Feet
Roads open to All Vehicles, Seasonal	4688	370
	468C	505
	468D	433
	468G	526
	6223F	41
Roads open to Highway Legal Vehicles, Yearlong	6223G	144
	13272	165
Roads open to Highway Legal Vehicles, Seasonal	468G	352