

Tom Miner-Rock Creek Travel Planning Area

A. Alternative Travel Area Goals, Objectives, Standards and Guidelines

Travel Planning Area Direction Under Alternative 1

Alternative 1 is the “no action” alternative. There would be no changes to current Forest Plan management direction applicable to travel management.

Travel Planning Area Direction Under Alternatives 2 through 7

GOAL 1: Summer Recreation Use. Provide low-level opportunities for both motorized and non-motorized summer recreation use with an emphasis on hiking, horseback riding, pleasure driving and motorcycle use. *This goal is applicable to alternatives 2 through 7.*

OBJ. 1(1): Manage the road and trail system to provide for the following types of summer recreation use. *This objective is applicable to Alternatives 2 through 7, however the amount of opportunity varies among alternatives as shown in the following table.*

Table II – 137 Summary of Summer Opportunities By Miles							
All mileages are approximate							
Recreation Opportunity	Current	Alt. 2	Alt. 3	Alt. 4	Alt. 5	Alt. 6	Alt. 7
Pleasure Driving							
Miles of Road	9	9	9	9	9	9	9
Backcountry Roads (4x4)							
Miles of Road	15	15	15	15	11	11	15
ATV							
Miles of Road	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Miles of Trail	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Total Miles	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Motorcycle							
Miles of Road	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Miles of Trail	0	0	8	1	1	0	1
Total Miles	0	0	8	1	1	0	1
Mountain Bike (Use Emphasized)							
Miles of Road	30	30	7	7	4	4	7
Miles of Trail	11	11	11	11	8	8	11
Total Miles	41	41	18	18	12	12	18

Table II – 137 Summary of Summer Opportunities By Miles							
All mileages are approximate							
Recreation Opportunity	Current	Alt. 2	Alt. 3	Alt. 4	Alt. 5	Alt. 6	Alt. 7
Mountain Bike (Use Allowed)							
Miles of Trail	0*	0*	0*	0*	1	1	0*
Pack and Saddle Stock (Use Emphasized)							
Miles of Trail	11	11	12	12	12	12	12
Pack and Saddle Stock (Use Allowed)							
Miles of Trail	0*	0*	0*	0*	0*	0*	0*
Hiking (Use Emphasized)							
Miles of Trail	11	11	12	12	12	12	12
Hiking (Use Allowed)							
Miles of Trail	0*	0*	0*	0*	0*	0*	0*
* Use for this activity is not prohibited on any trails; use is either emphasized or allowed.							
** Use for this activity is prohibited on some trails.							

OBJ.1(2): Provide a mountain bike loop opportunity. *This objective is applicable to Alternatives 2 through 7.*

GOAL 2: Winter Recreation Use. Provide backcountry snowmobiling and skiing opportunities. *This goal is applicable to Alternatives 2 through 7.*

OBJ. 2(1): Manage the road and trail system to provide for the following types of winter recreation use. *This objective is applicable to Alternatives 2 through 7, however the amount of opportunity varies among alternatives as shown in the following table.*

Table II – 138 Summary of Winter Opportunities In Miles							
All mileages are approximate							
Recreation Opportunity	Current	Alt. 2	Alt. 3	Alt. 4	Alt. 5	Alt. 6	Alt. 7
Pleasure Driving (Plowed Road)							
Miles of Plowed Road	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Snowmobiling							
Miles of Groomed Trail	5	5	5	5	0	4	0
Miles of Marked Trail	0	0	3	3	0	2	3

Table II – 138 Summary of Winter Opportunities In Miles							
All mileages are approximate							
Recreation Opportunity	Current	Alt. 2	Alt. 3	Alt. 4	Alt. 5	Alt. 6	Alt. 7
Total Miles	5	5	8	8	0	6	3
Cross-country Skiing							
Miles of Groomed Trail	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Miles of Marked Trail	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Total Miles	2	2	2	2	2	2	2

Table II - 139 Summary of Area Restrictions - Acres							
Recreation Opportunity	Current	Alt. 2	Alt. 3	Alt. 4	Alt. 5	Alt. 6	Alt. 7
Snowmobiling							
Yearlong Closure							
Wilderness	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Non-Wilderness	0	0	7,286	7,286	12,725	9,904	7,443
Seasonal Closure <u>2/</u>							
Wilderness	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Non-Wilderness	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
No Restrictions							
Wilderness	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Non-Wilderness	13,331	13,331	6,045	6,045	606	3,427	5,888
Net	13,331	13,331	13,331	13,331	13,331	13,331	13,331

2/ Note: Seasonal restrictions are displayed under the route-by-route management section.

GOAL 3: Grizzly Bear and Wildlife Habitat Security. Maintain a network of open roads and trails that would provide for grizzly bear and other wildlife habitat security. *This goal is applicable to Alternatives 2 through 7.*

OBJ. 3(1): Effectively close to public use the Soldier Creek/Twin Peaks road system. *This objective is applicable to Alternatives 2 through 7.*

OBJ. 3(2): Work with the private landowner to reduce open road density in Divide Creek. *This objective is applicable to Alternatives 2 through 7.*

GOAL 4: Fisheries. Provide habitat for Yellowstone cutthroat trout in Tom Miner and Rock Creeks. *This goal applies to Alternatives 2 through 7.*

In this Travel Planning Area, this goal is pursued through application of Forest-wide standards.

GOAL 5: Wilderness Character. Manage the Hyalite-Porcupine Buffalo Horn Wilderness Study Area to sustain the recreation setting and existing Wilderness characteristics as they were in 1977 and to preserve the area for future consideration as Wilderness. *This goal applies to Alternatives 2 through 7.*

OBJ. 4(1): Through monitoring and modification of use patterns, manage designated uses of roads and trails to meet Goal 5. *This objective applies to Alternatives 2 through 7.*

B. Alternative Route-By-Route Management

[See attached table.](#)

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ROAD/TRAIL plus comments	ALT	Passenger Car	High Clearance	ATV	Motorcycles	MtnBike	Stock	Hiking	Snowmobiles	X-C Snowshoe
TOM MINER ROAD #63 Upper portion of road seasonally restricted during spring breakup.	1	E CLOSED Jan 1 - May 31	A CLOSED Jan 1 - May 31	A CLOSED Jan 1 - May 31	A CLOSED Jan 1 - May 31	A No Restrictions YEARLONG				
	2-6	E Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	A Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	A Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	A Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	A No Restrictions YEARLONG				
	7	E Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	A Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	A Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	A Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	A No Restrictions YEARLONG				
SOUTH ROCK CREEK ROAD #993 - East Portion of the road East of existing gate in section 22.	1	E No Restrictions YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG							
	2-6	E Closed Dec 2 - May 15	A Closed Dec 2 - May 15	A Closed Dec 2 - May 15	A Closed Dec 2 - May 15	A No Restrictions YEARLONG				
	7	E Closed Dec 2 - May 15	A Closed Dec 2 - May 15	A Closed Dec 2 - May 15	A Closed Dec 2 - May 15	A No Restrictions YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG	P No Restrictions YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG
SOUTH ROCK CREEK ROAD #993 - West Portion of the road west of existing gate in section 22. Road is a groomed snowmobile trail from existing winter parking lot to Gallatin County line in alternatives 1-6. Snowmobiles would be prohibited in alternative 7..	1	E CLOSED Jan 1 - Apr 30	A CLOSED Jan 1 - Apr 30	A CLOSED Jan 1 - Apr 30	A CLOSED Jan 1 - Apr 30	A No Restrictions YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG	E No Restrictions YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG
	5	E Closed Dec 2 - May 15	A Closed Dec 2 - May 15	A Closed Dec 2 - May 15	A Closed Dec 2 - May 15	A No Restrictions YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG	P Closed YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG
	2-4,6	E Closed Dec 2 - May 15	A Closed Dec 2 - May 15	A Closed Dec 2 - May 15	A Closed Dec 2 - May 15	A No Restrictions YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG	E No Restrictions YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG
	7	E Closed Dec 2 - May 15	A Closed Dec 2 - May 15	A Closed Dec 2 - May 15	A Closed Dec 2 - May 15	A No Restrictions YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG	P Closed YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG
SUNLIGHT ROAD #1702	1	A CLOSED Jan 1 - May 31	E CLOSED Jan 1 - May 31	A CLOSED Jan 1 - May 31	A CLOSED Jan 1 - May 31	A No Restrictions YEARLONG				
	2-4	A Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	E Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	A Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	A Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	A No Restrictions YEARLONG				
	5,6	A Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	E Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	A Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	A Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	A No Restrictions YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG
	7	A Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	E Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	A Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	A Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	A No Restrictions YEARLONG				

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ROAD/TRAIL plus comments	ALT	Passenger Car	High Clearance	ATV	Motorcycles	MtnBike	Stock	Hiking	Snowmobiles	X-C Snowshoe
DIVIDE CREEK ROAD #3255 Road is closed to public motorized use at the private section boundary in section 31 in alternative 5 and 6.	1	A CLOSED Jan 1 - May 31	E CLOSED Jan 1 - May 31	A CLOSED Jan 1 - May 31	A CLOSED Jan 1 - May 31	A No Restrictions YEARLONG				
	2-4	A Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	E Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	A Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	A Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	A No Restrictions YEARLONG				
	5-6	A Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	E Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	A Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	A Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	A No Restrictions YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG
	7	A Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	E Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	A Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	A Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	A No Restrictions YEARLONG				
DIVIDE CREEK A ROAD #3255-A, A1, A2 Portions of these old roads get closed in several alternatives. In alternative 4, an additional 3 miles of road is closed, in alternative 5 and 6 and additional 7 miles of road is closed.	1	A CLOSED Jan 1 - May 31	E CLOSED Jan 1 - May 31	A CLOSED Jan 1 - May 31	A CLOSED Jan 1 - May 31	A No Restrictions YEARLONG				
	2,3	A Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	E Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	A Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	A Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	A No Restrictions YEARLONG				
	4	A Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	E Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	A Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	A Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	A No Restrictions YEARLONG				
	5,6	A Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	E Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	A Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	A Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	A No Restrictions YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG
	7	A Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	E Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	A Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	A Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	A No Restrictions YEARLONG				
FISHER CREEK ROAD #1778 Road accesses the Donahue Trailhead on the southern end and is only open to public traffic to the trailhead - about 1/4 mile from the junction with the Rock Ck. road. Note that the northern portion of this route is a closed project road.	1	E CLOSED Jan 1 - Apr 30	A CLOSED Jan 1 - Apr 30	A CLOSED Jan 1 - Apr 30	A CLOSED Jan 1 - Apr 30	A No Restrictions YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG	E No Restrictions YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG
	2-6	E Closed Dec 2 - May 15	A Closed Dec 2 - May 15	A Closed Dec 2 - May 15	A Closed Dec 2 - May 15	A No Restrictions YEARLONG				
	7	E Closed Dec 2 - May 15	A Closed Dec 2 - May 15	A Closed Dec 2 - May 15	A Closed Dec 2 - May 15	A No Restrictions YEARLONG				

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ROAD/TRAIL plus comments	ALT	Passenger Car	High Clearance	ATV	Motorcycles	MtnBike	Stock	Hiking	Snowmobiles	X-C Snowshoe
<u>DONAHUE TRAIL #183</u>	1	P CLOSED YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG	E No Restrictions YEARLONG	E No Restrictions YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG
	2,4-6	P CLOSED YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	E Closed Oct 15 - Jun 15	E Closed Apr 1 - Jun 15	E No Restrictions YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG
	3	P CLOSED YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	E Closed Oct 15 - Jun 15	E Closed Apr 1 - Jun 15	E Closed Apr 1 - Jun 15	E No Restrictions YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG
	7	P CLOSED YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	E Closed Apr 1 - Jun 15	E Closed Apr 1 - Jun 15	E No Restrictions YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG
<u>FISHER WAGON ROUTE TRAIL #226</u>	1	P CLOSED YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG	E No Restrictions YEARLONG	E No Restrictions YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG
	2-6	P CLOSED YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	E Closed Apr 1 - Jun 15	E Closed Apr 1 - Jun 15	E No Restrictions YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG
	7	P CLOSED YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	E Closed Apr 1 - Jun 15	E Closed Apr 1 - Jun 15	E No Restrictions YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG
<u>PETRIFIED INTERPRETIVE TRAIL #286</u>	1	P CLOSED YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG	E No Restrictions YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG
	2-4	P CLOSED YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	A Closed Apr 1 - Jun 15	A Closed Apr 1 - Jun 15	E No Restrictions YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG
	5-6	P CLOSED YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	A Closed Apr 1 - Jun 15	A Closed Apr 1 - Jun 15	E No Restrictions YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG
	7	P CLOSED YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	A Closed Apr 1 - Jun 15	A Closed Apr 1 - Jun 15	E No Restrictions YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG
<u>Uninventoried Motorized Routes</u> This is an estimate of the existing uninventoried motorized routes located within this travel planning area: 5-10 miles of motorcycle route, 5-10 miles of ATV route, and 0 miles of road. These routes are legitimate dispersed use in Alternative 1.	1	A No Restrictions YEARLONG								
	2-6	P CLOSED YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG				
	7	P CLOSED YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG				