

# Yellowstone 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 opportunities for non-motorized summer recreation use with an emphasis on hiking, mountain biking and horseback riding. *This goal is applicable to Alternatives 2 through 7, however in Alternative 3, the goal statement would include providing some opportunity for motorcycle use.*

**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 – 153 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
<b>Pleasure Driving</b>							
Miles of Road	9	9	10	10	10	10	10
<b>Backcountry Roads (4x4)</b>							
Miles of Road	1	1	9	9	9	9	7
<b>ATV</b>							
Miles of Road	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Miles of Trail	22	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Miles	23	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Motorcycle</b>							
Miles of Road	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Miles of Trail	0	22	10	0	0	0	0
Total Miles	0	23	10	0	0	0	0
<b>Mountain Bike (Use Emphasized)</b>							
Miles of Road	39	39	7	7	8	8	8
Miles of Trail	37	37	12	12	6	6	12
Total Miles	76	76	19	19	14	14	20

<b>Table II – 153 Summary of Summer Opportunities By Miles</b>							
All mileages are approximate							
<b>Recreation Opportunity</b>	<b>Current</b>	<b>Alt. 2</b>	<b>Alt. 3</b>	<b>Alt. 4</b>	<b>Alt. 5</b>	<b>Alt. 6</b>	<b>Alt. 7</b>
<b>Mountain Bike (Use Allowed)</b>							
Miles of Trail	0*	0*	26	26	27	27	4
<b>Pack and Saddle Stock (Use Emphasized)</b>							
Miles of Trail	37	37	37	37	37	37	37
<b>Pack and Saddle Stock (Use Allowed)</b>							
Miles of Trail	0*	0*	0*	0*	0*	0*	0*
<b>Hiking (Use Emphasized)</b>							
Miles of Trail	37	37	37	37	37	37	37
<b>Hiking (Use Allowed)</b>							
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 up to 4 additional routes of access to this Travel Planning Area from the Yellowstone valley, along with trailhead and parking facilities. *This objective is applicable to Alternatives 2 through 7.*

**GOAL 2: Winter Recreation Use.** There are no winter recreation goals for this Travel Planning Area. *This is applicable to Alternatives 2 through 7.*

<b>Table II – 154 Summary of Winter Opportunities In Miles</b>							
All mileages are approximate							
<b>Recreation Opportunity</b>	<b>Current</b>	<b>Alt. 2</b>	<b>Alt. 3</b>	<b>Alt. 4</b>	<b>Alt. 5</b>	<b>Alt. 6</b>	<b>Alt. 7</b>
<b>Pleasure Driving (Plowed Road)</b>							
Miles of Plowed Road	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
<b>Snowmobiling</b>							
Miles of Groomed Trail	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Miles of Marked Trail	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Miles	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Cross-country Skiing</b>							
Miles of Groomed Trail	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

<b>Table II – 154 Summary of Winter Opportunities In Miles</b>							
All mileages are approximate							
<b>Recreation Opportunity</b>	<b>Current</b>	<b>Alt. 2</b>	<b>Alt. 3</b>	<b>Alt. 4</b>	<b>Alt. 5</b>	<b>Alt. 6</b>	<b>Alt. 7</b>
Miles of Marked Trail	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Total Miles	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

<b>Table II - 155 Summary of Area Restrictions - Acres</b>							
<b>Recreation Opportunity</b>	<b>Current</b>	<b>Alt. 2</b>	<b>Alt. 3</b>	<b>Alt. 4</b>	<b>Alt. 5</b>	<b>Alt. 6</b>	<b>Alt. 7</b>
<b>Snowmobiling</b>							
Yearlong Closure							
Wilderness	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Non-Wilderness	8090	8090	951	4410	4410	4410	17595
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	9505	9505	16644	13185	13185	13185	0
Net	17595	17595	17595	17595	17595	17595	17595
<u>2/</u> Note: Seasonal restrictions are displayed under the route-by-route management section.							

**GOAL 3: Fisheries.** Provide habitat for Yellowstone cutthroat trout in Fridley Creek and West Pine Creek. *This goal applies to Alternatives 2 through 7.*

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

**GOAL 4: 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 4. *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
<b>WEST PINE CREEK ROAD #978 Seg 1</b> This segment is between the county road and the old trailhead in the southwest corner of section 5.	1-6	<b>E</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG							
	7	<b>E</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>P</b> Closed YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG					
<b>WEST PINE CREEK ROAD #978 Seg 2</b> This segment is to the west of section 5.	1	<b>E</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG							
	2-6	<b>E</b> Closed Dec 2 - May 15	<b>A</b> Closed Dec 2 - May 15	<b>A</b> Closed Dec 2 - May 15	<b>A</b> Closed Dec 2 - May 15	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG				
	7	<b>E</b> Closed Sep 5 - Jun 15	<b>A</b> Closed Sep 5 - Jun 15	<b>A</b> Closed Sep 5 - Jun 15	<b>A</b> Closed Sep 5 - Jun 15	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>P</b> Closed YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG
<b>SOUTH FORK WEST PINE ROAD #976</b>	1	<b>E</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG							
	2-6	<b>E</b> Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	<b>A</b> Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	<b>A</b> Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	<b>A</b> Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG				
	7	<b>E</b> Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	<b>A</b> Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	<b>A</b> Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	<b>A</b> Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>P</b> Closed YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG
<b>NORTH FORK WEST PINE CK. ROAD #981</b>	1,2	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG
	3-6	<b>A</b> Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	<b>E</b> Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	<b>A</b> Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	<b>A</b> Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG				
	7	<b>P</b> Closed YEARLONG	<b>P</b> Closed YEARLONG	<b>P</b> Closed YEARLONG	<b>P</b> Closed YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>P</b> Closed YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG
<b>BIG CREEK ROAD #2500 &amp; DRY CK. #999</b> Note: Big Creek Road seasonally closed west of the Mountain Sky Guest Ranch to all motorized from Dec. 1- May 15 in all alternatives.	1-6	<b>E</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG							
	7	<b>E</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>P</b> Closed YEARLONG	<b>A</b> 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
<b><u>NORTH DRY CREEK ROAD #2613 - Seg 1</u></b> Represents road management east of current gate and trailhead in section 17.	1-6	<b>E</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG							
	7	<b>E</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>P</b> Closed YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG					
<b><u>NORTH DRY CREEK ROAD #2613 - Seg 2</u></b> North Dry road west of existing gate and trailhead would be managed as a backcountry road in alternatives 3,4,6 and 7 with no restrictions during hunting season. In alternative 5 wheeled motorized traffic would be prohibited during the big game hunting season.	1,2	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG
	3,4,6	<b>A</b> Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	<b>E</b> Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	<b>A</b> Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	<b>A</b> Closed Dec 2 - Jun 15	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>E</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG
	5	<b>A</b> Closed Sep 15 - Jun 15	<b>E</b> Closed Sep 15 - Jun 15	<b>A</b> Closed Sep 15 - Jun 15	<b>A</b> Closed Sep 15 - Jun 15	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>E</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG
	7	<b>A</b> Closed Sep 5 - Jun 15	<b>E</b> Closed Sep 5 - Jun 15	<b>A</b> Closed Sep 5 - Jun 15	<b>A</b> Closed Sep 5 - Jun 15	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>E</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>P</b> Closed YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG
<b><u>N, DRY DIVIDE #135 AND W. PINE # 139 TR.</u></b> North Dry Divide Trail # 135 and West Pine Trail # 139.	1	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>E</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>E</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG
	2	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>E</b> Closed Apr 1 - Jun 15	<b>E</b> Closed Apr 1 - Jun 15	<b>E</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG
	3	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>E</b> Closed Sep 15 - Jul 15	<b>E</b> Closed Apr 1 - Jun 15	<b>E</b> Closed Apr 1 - Jun 15	<b>E</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG
	4	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>E</b> Closed Apr 1 - Jun 15	<b>E</b> Closed Apr 1 - Jun 15	<b>E</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG
	5,6	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>E</b> Closed Apr 1 - Jun 15	<b>E</b> Closed Apr 1 - Jun 15	<b>E</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG
	7	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>E</b> Closed Apr 1 - Jun 15	<b>E</b> Closed Apr 1 - Jun 15	<b>E</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG

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<b>LEWIS CREEK TRAIL #181</b>	1	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>E</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>E</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG
	2	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>E</b> Closed Sep 15 - Jul 15	<b>A</b> Closed Apr 1 - Jun 15	<b>E</b> Closed Apr 1 - Jun 15	<b>E</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG
	3-6	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>A</b> Closed Apr 1 - Jun 15	<b>E</b> Closed Apr 1 - Jun 15	<b>E</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG
	7	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>E</b> Closed Apr 1 - Jun 15	<b>E</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG				
<b>DONAHUE TRAIL #183</b>	1	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>P</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>E</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>E</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>E</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG
	2,4,5,6	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> Closed Sep 15 - Jul 15	<b>A</b> Closed Apr 1 - Jul 15	<b>E</b> Closed Apr 1 - Jul 15	<b>E</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG
	3	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>E</b> Closed Sep 15 - Jul 15	<b>A</b> Closed May 1 - Jul 15	<b>E</b> Closed Apr 1 - Jul 15	<b>E</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG
	7	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> Closed Sep 15 - Jul 15	<b>E</b> Closed Apr 1 - Jun 1	<b>E</b> Closed Apr 1 - Jul 15	<b>E</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>P</b> Closed YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG
<b>All other trails Yellowstone Travel Area</b> Includes the portions of Mudd Lake # 146, Pole Gulch #182, Mill Fork Hyalite #190, Fridley Lake #240 that are outside of the Hyalite Porcupine Buffalo Horn Wilderness Study area. Many of these historic trails cross private land through areas of checkerboard ownership.	1	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>E</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>E</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG
	2	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>E</b> Closed Sep 15 - Jul 15	<b>A</b> Closed Apr 1 - Jun 15	<b>E</b> Closed Apr 1 - Jun 15	<b>E</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG
	3-6	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>A</b> Closed Apr 1 - Jun 15	<b>E</b> Closed Apr 1 - Jun 15	<b>E</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG
	7	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>E</b> Closed Apr 1 - Jun 15	<b>E</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>P</b> Closed YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG				
<b>UNINVENTORIED MOTORIZED ROUTES</b> This is an estimate of the existing uninventoried motorized routes located within this travel planning area: 0 miles of ATV routes, 0 miles of motorcycles routes.	1	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG								
	2-6	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG
	7	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG