## Railroad Creek Community Rock Source 2007

The rock collecting area is generally open from **April 1 through October 30**. This will depend on snow/road conditions, as this is part of a groomed snowmobile trail. Wheeled motorized use is **NOT** allowed over the groomed snowmobile trail.

Material from Railroad Creek slide area is angular medium/dark gray rock with moss. The collection area is a one half mile long scree slope approximately 1 mile up Railroad Creek. The collection area is signed on the ground, 'Railroad rock pit, permit required'.

Size of rock is from 6 inch to 4 feet. Typical uses are fireplace, rock fence and landscaping. It is a hard quartzite. The rock is intended for landscaping. **Rip rap is not an appropriate use**.

Railroad Creek pit is the only approved rock source on Darby. Please do not pick up rock along Skalkaho or Rye Creek.

Material from Railroad Creek Pit is **for personal use only**. Individual may have contractor haul and construct their fence/fireplace. The individual not the contractor must sign the permit. Whoever hauls the rock must have the permit in the vehicle. You can use equipment (backhoe or bobcat) to load rock at the pit; but cannot block the roadway.

There is a **minimum of 1 ton or \$20 per permit**, with a **maximum of 10 ton** at \$20/ton per individual per year. Pickups may be ½ ton to 1 ton depending on the model of the truck. Dump truck can be 3, 6, or 9-ton capacity.

A mineral permit for Railroad Creek Pit is available at the Darby, Stevensville or Hamilton Forest Service offices.

Question please contact either Betsy Ballard at 777-7421 or Gary Richtmyer at 821-3913

