Hebgen Lake Ranger District News Release



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Forest Service Issues Emergency Closure Due to Recent Grizzly Bear Encounter

West Yellowstone, MT.....Hebgen Lake Ranger District has implemented an emergency area closure in a portion of the Taylor Fork Drainage south of Big Sky, MT to address bear-human safety concerns. Recently a grizzly bear was killed by a black bear hunter and officials suspect a second grizzly to still be in the area.

The closure area lies north of the Taylor Fork Road between the Albino Lake Trail Head and the Meadow Creek Trail Head. It continues north to the intersection of the Albino Lake Trail and the Meadow Creek Trail and Marble Lake. The Taylor Fork Road and the Meadow Creek Trail remain open.

For information and a map detailing the emergency closure please contact the Hebgen Lake Ranger District at (406) 848-6961 or the Gallatin National Forest Website at <u>www.fs.fed.us/r1/gallatin</u>.

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