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# Livingston Ranger District News Release



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## Mill Creek Road opening date postponed

Livingston, MT... The Livingston Ranger District of the Gallatin National Forest will be postponing the opening of the Mill Creek Road # 488, by the Snowbank snowmobile parking area, until snow has melted from the road. Due to a higher snow pack this year and a wet cool spring the road is still holding snow along most of its length.

“We look forward to opening Mill Creek Road as soon as possible for the public but the late snowpack in Mill Creek makes the road currently impassable ” states Ron Archuleta, District Ranger.

Breakup happens during the spring when thawing occurs. The road sub-grade thaws and becomes saturated to the point that it cannot support the road-bed and the large amount of vehicle traffic that uses it. Impacts to the road surface, including ruts, cracking and potholes are highly likely when motorized use occurs during the spring thaw.

For more information please contact the Livingston Ranger District at (406) 222-1892.

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