



Flathead National Forest

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Belton Fuels Reduction Project Proposal on Hungry Horse District Available for Public Review and Comment

The Hungry Horse Ranger District of the Flathead National Forest is requesting public comment on an environmental assessment for the Belton Fuels Reduction Project. The proposed project is located on National Forest System lands between the communities of Hungry Horse and West Glacier. This area is in the wildland urban interface and has been identified as a high priority for fuels reduction.

The proposed project would treat approximately 900 acres with mechanized equipment and/or hand treatments to reduce tree densities and downed wood. Prescribed burning would be managed on an additional 900 acres to reduce fuels and improve wildlife habitat. The proposed project includes design features that are in response to public comments received earlier in the year.

The environmental assessment is available by visiting www.fs.fed.us/r1/flathead and clicking on projects. Comments regarding the Belton Fuels Reduction Project should be forwarded to the Hungry Horse Ranger District by September 5. For more information or questions, please contact Michele Draggoo at 387-3827.

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