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Developed Recreation Site	Site Type	Forest Ranking	Recommended Action Within Five Years	Remarks
Medicine Wheel District				
BALD MOUNTAIN OVERLOOK IS	OBSERVATION SITE	17	No change.	
BEAVER CREEK OVERLOOK IS	OBSERVATION SITE	18	No change.	
BUCKING MULE FALLS TRAILHEAD	TRAILHEAD	2	No change.	
BURGESS JCT VC	INTERPRETIVE SITE (MINOR)	63	No change.	
CRYSTAL CREEK	OTHER WINTER SPORTS SITE	46	No change.	
CRYSTAL CREEK OVERLOOK IS	OBSERVATION SITE	47	No change.	
DUNCOM MOUNTAIN BURN IS	OBSERVATION SITE	84	Replace log barriers with rock	
INTERMISSION FIRE IS	OBSERVATION SITE	85	Replace log barriers with rock	
JAWS TRAILHEAD	TRAILHEAD	21	No change.	
LITTLE BIGHORN WEST TRAILHEAD	TRAILHEAD	70	No change.	
MEDICINE WHEEL I.S.	INTERPRETIVE SITE (MINOR)	1	No change.	
PORCUPINE C.G.	CAMPGROUND	24	No change.	
PORCUPINE FALLS TRAILHEAD	TRAILHEAD	42	No change.	
PORCUPINE R.S.	INFORMATION SITE	111	Remove from recreation operation in INFRA database. Station manager will maintain bulletin board.	

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Paintrock District				
ADELAIDE TRAILHEAD	TRAILHEAD	10	Change operating season in INFRA database to reflect annual closure by snow.	Popular trailhead. In the future consider redevelopment this site in relation with Ranger Creek (Paintrock) CG
BATTLE PARK T.H.	TRAILHEAD	25	Capital improvements completed in 2007. New information board and Wilderness registration planned in 2008. Full management moves to Powder River District in FY2008 to reduce travel costs. Added 10% to annual maintenance for new and reconstructed facilities.	
BEEF TRAIL / COPMAN'S TOMB IS	OBSERVATION SITE	26	Change operating season in INFRA database to reflect annual closure by snow.	
CABIN CREEK C.G.	CAMPGROUND	112	Close for hunting season after concessionaire closes to reduce operating costs. Current concession permit expires in 2010. Schedule NEPA for conversion to a picnic ground.	Long term plan is to close Granite Creek PG and convert Cabin Creek CG to a picnic ground.

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CABIN CREEK MEADOWS C.G	CAMPGROUND	107	Remove improvements but retain spurs for dispersed campers during hunting season.	
EDELMAN T.H.	TRAILHEAD	43	Change operating season in INFRA database to reflect annual closure by snow.	
GRANITE CREEK P.G.	PICNIC SITE	113	Cabin Creek is operated under a concession permit that expires in 2010. Schedule NEPA for removal of improvements and site restoration..	Long term plan is to close Granite Creek PG and convert Cabin Creek CG to a picnic ground.
LOWER PAINTROCK LAKE C.G.	CAMPGROUND	36	New toilet installed 2007. Change operating season in INFRA database to reflect annual closure by snow.	Long term capital improvement proposal is to reconstruct and add capacity (not in the next five years). Some of added capacity replaces sites from Upper Paintrock Lake CG closure.

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MEDICINE LODGE LAKE C.G.	CAMPGROUND	19	New toilet installed 2007. Change operating season in INFRA database to reflect annual closure by snow.	Long term capital improvement proposal is to reconstruct and add capacity (not in the next five years). Some of added capacity replaces sites from Upper Paintrock Lake CG closure.
PAINTROCK LAKE T.H.	TRAILHEAD	74	Remove deteriorated corrals in 2009. Recreation horses will use designated horse pasture.	
POST CREEK P.G.	PICNIC SITE	102	New toilet installed in 2007. Change site from Picnic Ground to Trailhead. Remove tables and fire rings. Change site name on sign. Plan for NEPA in 2008	
RANGER CREEK(PAINTROCK) C.G.	CAMPGROUND	58	Remove deteriorated picnic shelter from group area and do not replace.	In the future consider re-development of this site in relation with Adelaide Trailhead.
SHEEP IS	OBSERVATION SITE	48	Change operating season in INFRA database to reflect annual closure by snow.	
SHELL CREEK C.G.	CAMPGROUND	22	No change.	

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SHELL FALLS WAYSIDE	INTERPRETIVE SITE (MINOR)	3	Currently closed for reconstruction. Contract awarded in 2007 (scenic byway funds) for reconstruction to continue 1-2 years. Additional projects to be proposed for funding and construction. Change operating season in INFRA database to match RFA (recreation facility analysis).	
SHELL RESERVOIR	CAMPING AREA	71	Remove single unit toilet on Road 269 with forest service crew. Retain other toilets	
SHELL RS	INFORMATION SITE	114	Remove from recreation operation in INFRA database. Station manager will maintain bulletin board.	
TORNADO IS	OBSERVATION SITE	27	Change operating season in INFRA database.	
UPPER PAINTROCK LAKE C.G	CAMPGROUND	115	Remove improvements and close to camping in conjunction with addition of capacity at Lower Paintrock Lake CG and/or Medicine Lodge Lake CG.	

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WILD FIRE IS	OBSERVATION SITE	28	Change operating season in INFRA database.	
Powder River District				
BOULDER PARK C.G.	CAMPGROUND	41	Reconstruction and elimination of deferred maintenance is underway with a contract awarded in FY07.	
BULL CREEK C.G.	CAMPGROUND	108	Closed since 2006 because large trees with rot at the base of the trunk are a hazard. Under concession permit to 2010. Scoping & NEPA decision are planned for a proposal to remove improvements & reclaim the site.	Campground sites are within 100 feet of water. There is little or no space to improve stream zone protection.,
CIRCLE PARK C.G.	CAMPGROUND	29	No change	NOT IN THE NEXT FIVE YEARS. Most sites do not accommodate trailers and RV's. Consider conversion to tent camping only.
CIRCLE PARK TRAILHEAD	TRAILHEAD	72	No change.	

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CRAZY WOMAN C.G.	CAMPGROUND	109	Initiate scoping and NEPA on a proposal to remove campground improvements and reclaim the site. Retain existing parking lot and sign for "fisherman parking"	Facilities are within 100 feet of the stream with little or no room to improve. Considerable loss of streamside vegetation has occurred.
DEER PARK C.G.	CAMPGROUND	65	No change	NOT IN THE NEXT FIVE YEARS. Consider closing campground, reclaiming site and replacing the campground units elsewhere. A broad based West-Tensleep corridor plan (forest road 27) addressing day use, overnight use (developed and dispersed), and wilderness is needed in conjunction with any plan to replace Deer Park Campground and West Tensleep Campground. Campground is located on a wet site with little or no room to improve.
DOYLE C.G.	CAMPGROUND	39	Change operating season in the INFRA database to reflect annual closure by snow.	Needs new toilets. Prepare a proposal for capital investment improvements to occur in the future.

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ELGIN PARK TRAILHEAD	TRAILHEAD	14	Change operating season in the INFRA database to reflect annual closure by snow.	Replace existing toilet with single unit vault.
HETTINGER GROUP	CAMPGROUND	89	No change	In the future, replace toilet. Consider removing playground equipment to reduce liabilities.
HIGH PARK LOOKOUT	INTERPRETIVE SITE (MINOR)	103	Develop action plan for historic site. Historic outhouse is not in use and not to standard.	
HOSPITAL HILL	INTERPRETIVE SITE (MINOR)	51	No change	
HUNTER CAMPGROUND	HORSE CAMP	4	No change.	NOT IN NEXT FIVE YEARS. Future CIP proposal. 2007 CIP plans were scuttled by reinstatement of Roadless Area Conservation Rule inventory area. Existing site within 100 feet of water. NEPA and contract package to redevelop a site 1/4 mile away (with same site name and number) are on the shelf. This facility is co-located with Hunter Trailhead.

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HUNTER TRAILHEAD	TRAILHEAD	5	No change	NOT IN NEXT FIVE YEARS. Future CIP proposal. See Hunter Campground notes for more information.
ISLAND PARK C.G.	CAMPGROUND	45	No change	NOT IN NEXT FIVE YEARS. Needs new toilet and use areas in future
LAKE POINT P.G	PICNIC SITE	83	Change operating season in INFRA database to reflect annual closure by snow.	Needs new fire rings and grills in future
LAKEVIEW C.G.	CAMPGROUND	16	Former Lakeview picnic ground is being managed for tent camping by concessionaire. In INFRA database add campsites in former picnic ground, change operating season to reflect annual closure by snow and delete Lakeview Picnic Ground.	Water system needs redevelopment.
LEIGH CREEK / BIGHORN IS	OBSERVATION SITE	52	No change	
LEIGH CREEK C.G.	CAMPGROUND	66	No change	NOT IN NEXT FIVE YEARS. Replace toilets. Consider adding sites here to replace the Tensleep Creek CG sites if justified by use.

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LEIGH CREEK RV DUMP STA.	PLAYGROUND PARK SPECIALIZED SPORT SITE	86	Change operating season in INFRA database to reflect annual closure.	
LILY LAKE TH	TRAILHEAD	40	Replace bulletin boards from existing District inventory.	
LOAF MTN OVERLOOK	OBSERVATION SITE	53	No change	
LOST CABIN C.G.	CAMPGROUND	56	No change	NOT IN NEXT FIVE YEARS. Improve site to current standards and replace toilets in future
MEADOWLARK LAKE IS	OBSERVATION SITE	54	No change	
MIDDLE FORK C.G.	CAMPGROUND	30	Change operating season in INFRA database to reflect annual closure by snow.	
MUDDY GUARD CABIN	FIRE LOOKOUTS/CABINS OVERNIGHT	82	No change	Replace toilet consistent with requirements of a historic site when funding is available. FLREA fee receipts for the site are a funding source.
NORTH COVE	BOATING SITE	34	No change	In future repair boat ramp. Consider possible partnership opportunity for a fishing pier.

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NORTH FORK P.G.	PICNIC SITE	99	No change	Remove picnic tables above road that are seldom used to reduce maintenance obligation.
POLE CREEK WARMING HUT	OTHER WINTER SPORTS SITE	106	Change operating season in INFRA database to reflect seasonal closure..	
POLE CREEK X-COUNTRY SITE	NORDIC SKI PARKING		Change operating season in INFRA database to reflect seasonal closure	
POWDER RIVER IS	OBSERVATION SITE	95	No change	
RANGE IS	OBSERVATION SITE	35	No change	
SHEEP MOUNTAIN LOOKOUT	FIRE LOOKOUTS/CABINS OVERNIGHT	60	Change operating season in INFRA database to reflect seasonal closure.	NOT IN NEXT FIVE YEARS. Replace toilet with single unit vault consistent with the historic site. Develop FLREA management plan and begin charging rental fee for overnight use of historic lookout.
SITTING BULL C.G.	CAMPGROUND	97	No change	

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SOUTH FORK C.G.	CAMPGROUND	13	Plan for redevelopment. A 2007 proposal for capital improvement funding in 2008 was not successful. A 2008 proposal for capital improvement funding in 2009 has some prospects for success.	
TENSLEEP CANYON IS	OBSERVATION SITE	8	No change	
TENSLEEP CREEK C.G.	CAMPGROUND	61	Scoping & NEPA decision are planned for a proposal to remove improvements & reclaim the site. Within 100 feet of water. Develop additional sites at Leigh Creek CG and remove improvements. Retain traffic turn-round at end of Hwy 435.	Campground sites are within 100 feet of water. Facilities are in poor condition. Use levels are low.
TIE HACK C.G.	CAMPGROUND	110	Change operating season in INFRA database to reflect seasonal closure.	NOT IN NEXT FIVE YEARS RE IMPROVEMENTS. Consider adding a loop to replace Circle Park campground units for trailers and RV's.
TIE HACK PICNIC GROUND	PICNIC SITE	23	No change	

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VETERANS COVE	FISHING SITE	31	Replace existing barriers with rock. Consider changing site name to be changed to South Cove in INFRA if possible to be consistent with signing on the ground. Otherwise replace signs.	
WEST TENSLEEP LAKE C.G.	CAMPGROUND	73	Initiate scoping and NEPA on a proposal to remove campground improvements and replace camp sites elsewhere. A broad based West-Tensleep corridor plan (forest road 27) addressing day use, overnight use (developed and dispersed), and wilderness is needed in conjunction with any plan to replace West Tensleep Campground and Deer Park Campground.	Facilities are within 100 feet water. Site could provide day use opportunities with small boat access to West Tensleep Lake.
WEST TENSLEEP LAKE T.H.	TRAILHEAD	9	Propose to manage use and impacts with funds from a new parking fee (FLREA authority) with Recreation Resource Advisory Council review (REACT).	Use levels exceed capacity on some summer days.

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WILLOW PARK GROUP	GROUP CAMPGROUND	32	No change	NOT IN NEXT FIVE YEARS. Upgrade tables, fire rings, parking and fence in future. Consider removing play equipment to reduce liabilities.
Tongue District				
BIG GOOSE RANGER STATION I.S.	INFORMATION SITE	116	Remove from recreation operation in INFRA database. Station manager will maintain bulletin board.	
BLACK MOUNTAIN LOOKOUT TH	TRAILHEAD	91	No change	
BURGESS DUMP STATION	PLAYGROUND PARK SPECIALIZED SPORT SITE	92	Add a donation tube to the two islands without one. Replace the existing donation tubes. Improve the signing at donation tubes. Improve bulletin board information. Install a traffic counter to assess level of use.	

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BURGESS OVERLOOK I.S.	OBSERVATION SITE	50	Change to development level 1 in INFRA recreation database. Development level 1 provides for rudimentary improvements designed for protection of the site rather than comfort of the users and non-motorized access. Replace existing barriers with rock.	
BURGESS P.G.	PICNIC SITE	98	No change	
BURGESS R.S. I.S.	INFORMATION SITE	117	Remove from recreation operations in the INFRA database. Station manager will maintain bulletin board.	
CAMP 6-BRUCE CREEK I.S.	OBSERVATION SITE	75	No change	

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COFFEEN PARK C.G.	CAMPGROUND	76	Force account crew to remove tables and rings. Change to development level 1 or level 2 in the INFRA recreation database. Both development levels provide for rudimentary improvements designed for protection of the site rather than comfort of the users. Development level 1 provides for non-motorized access and development level 2 provides for motorized access.	
COFFEEN PARK T.H.	TRAILHEAD	55	No change	
CONEY TRAILHEAD	TRAILHEAD	33	No change	
CROSS CREEK C.G.	CAMPGROUND	93	No change	
CRYSTAL SPRING REST AREA	PLAYGROUND PARK SPECIALIZED SPORT SITE	118	No change	NO CHANGE IN NEXT FIVE YEARS. Retain for life of existing improvements. Long term goal is to decommission site. Possible future toilet located at Sand Turn.

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DEAD SWEDE C.G.	CAMPGROUND	6	Plan for redevelopment. A 2007 proposal for capital improvement funding in 2008 was not successful. A 2008 proposal for capital improvement funding in 2009 has some prospects for success.	
DEAD SWEDE P.G.	PICNIC SITE	44	Plan for redevelopment in conjunction with redevelopment of Dead Swede Campground. A 2008 proposal for capital improvement funding in 2009 has some prospects for success.	
EAST FORK CG	CAMPGROUND	119	Decommission this site after the existing concession permit expires in 2010. Use levels are low. Ranger Creek (Tongue) CG is nearby and has enough facilities to meet the demand.	

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EAST FORK P.G.	PICNIC SITE	120	Decommission this site after the existing concession permit expires in 2010. Use levels are low. Ranger Creek (Tongue) PG is nearby and has enough facilities to meet the demand.	
ENTRANCE PORTAL I.S.	INTERPRETIVE SITE (MINOR)	121	No change	NO CHANGE IN NEXT FIVE YEARS. Long term goal is to decommission this site and move the Forest portal sign to Sand Turn. Need WyDOT coordination.
FALLEN CITY I.S.	OBSERVATION SITE	37	No change	
FLASH DAM-WEST FORK I.S.	OBSERVATION SITE	77	No change	
HOGBACK I.S.	OBSERVATION SITE	38	No change	
LITTLE GOOSE C.G.	CAMPGROUND	67	No change	
NORTH TONGUE C.G.	CAMPGROUND	20	No change	
OWEN CREEK C.G.	CAMPGROUND	64	Close for season when concessionaire shuts down operations. Site would be closed in hunting season. Reduce operating season in the INFRA database and reduce operating costs.	
OWEN CREEK I.S.	INFORMATION SITE	105	No change	

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PINE ISLAND G.C.G.	GROUP CAMPGROUND	88	Negotiate with concessionaire to change operations and improve utilization. Propose to open gate when not reserved and charge fee. With host on site, gate can be closed in evenings.	
PROSPECT CREEK/BEAVER I.S.	OBSERVATION SITE	96	No change	
PRUNE CREEK C.G.	CAMPGROUND	15	No change	
RANGER CREEK (TONGUE) C.G.	CAMPGROUND	57	No change	
SAND TURN I.S.	OBSERVATION SITE	11	No change	Long term goal is to move entrance portal sign ("welcome to Bighorn NF") to this site and improve bulletin board and signing. Consider adding toilet. Need coordination with WyDOT.
SAWMILL LAKES T.H.	TRAILHEAD	49	No change	
SIBLEY LAKE C.G.	CAMPGROUND	12	No change	
SIBLEY LAKE DAM P.G.	PICNIC SITE	68	Consider adding picnic ground to concession permit with fee tube, after current concession permit expires. Need public input.	
SIBLEY LAKE DOCK P.G.	PICNIC SITE	59	No change	

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SIBLEY SKI PARKING/HUT	SKI AREA NORDIC	81	Improve signing at fee tube. Add permanent posts for bulletin board at ski hut. Add winter sports site sign at parking and move existing campground sign. Coordinate with WyDOT for any highway concerns.	
SPLASH DAM I.S.	OBSERVATION SITE	78	No change	
STAGE STOP-SAWMILL DIVIDE I.S.	OBSERVATION SITE	79	No change	
TAYLOR MINE ROAD I.S.	OBSERVATION SITE	100	No change	
TIE FLUME C.G	CAMPGROUND	7	No change	
TORNADO-TIE FLUME I.S.	OBSERVATION SITE	90	No change	
TORNADO-US14 I.S.	OBSERVATION SITE	104	No change	
TWIN BUTTES (O.S.)	OBSERVATION SITE	80	No change	
TWIN LAKES P.G.	PICNIC SITE	94	Consider adding picnic ground to concession permit with fee tube, after current concession permit expires. Need public input.	