
Bozeman Ranger District News Release



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Bozeman Municipal Watershed Project Public Open House Wednesday, Sept. 13th, 4:00 – 7:30 pm Holiday Inn Bozeman

Interested people are invited to attend an “Open House” to discuss the proposed Bozeman Municipal Watershed Project, on Wednesday, September 13th, from 4:00 to 7:30 pm, at the Holiday Inn in Bozeman. The meeting will be hosted by the Gallatin National Forest. City of Bozeman officials will also participate.

Jose Castro, Bozeman District Ranger, said: “The purpose of the watershed project is to begin reducing the risk of wildfire in Bozeman’s municipal watershed and begin creating vegetative and fuel conditions that would reduce the risk of excess sediment and ash reaching the municipal water treatment plant in the event of a wildfire”

The project would treat certain stands of trees in the Hyalite and Bozeman Creek drainages, including partial harvesting of 1,500 acres, cutting and piling on 1,300 acres, and burning of another 600 acres.

The Forest Service is currently seeking public comments on the Bozeman Watershed proposal. Comments will be accepted through Friday, September 15th.

“This Open House is a good opportunity to update people on this important project and to address any questions before the release of the Draft EIS”, Castro said.

To learn more about the project, visit the Gallatin National Forest web-site: www.fs.fed.us/r1/gallatin, click on Projects and Plans, then click on Bozeman Municipal Watershed Project.

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