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# Bozeman Ranger District News Release



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## **Hyalite Road Closing April 1 To Motorized Use for Spring Break-up**

Bozeman, MT... The Gallatin National Forest reminds recreationists that the Hyalite Road will close April 1 to motorized use during the spring break-up period, as per the Gallatin National Forest Travel Plan. The road will re-open May 15<sup>th</sup>.

“We are looking forward to recreationists being able to use this corridor when it is free of vehicle traffic. It’s a great opportunity for biking, walking, roller-blading and other non-motorized opportunities,” said Jose Castro, Bozeman District Ranger.

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

For more information please contact the Bozeman Ranger District at (406) 522-2520.

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