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ALLEGHENY NATIONAL FOREST ROADS OPEN FOR HUNTING SEASONS

Warren, Pa. – Forest Service roads on the Allegheny National Forest (NF) will be open for hunter access through January 10, 2009. Note: ONLY main roads are open; side roads are closed to vehicle traffic. Roads may be closed at any time due to poor/unsafe conditions or bad weather.

"Each fall we open roads that are normally gated, offering hunters greater preseason scouting and hunting opportunities," said Forest Supervisor Leanne Marten.

Forest Roads **451**, **101**, **101b**, **101bb**, **226** (Forest Co.), **113**, **332a**, **458** and **458a** (Elk Co.) will be open for vehicle access **ONLY** to those possessing a Disabled Persons Hunting Permit as issued by the Pennsylvania Game Commission.

Forest Roads 241, 247, 293, 404 and 472 will be open for Bear and General Deer Season from November 24 to December 13, 2008.

Current road policy for the Allegheny NF is found on the forest's Motor Vehicle Use Map (MVUM). Roads throughout the forest can be designated open year-round or open seasonally for motorized public traffic, or closed to motorized public traffic. Any open road is subject to closure at any time if the road's driving surface becomes rutted or resource damage occurs, or has the potential to occur, from intensive use or changing weather conditions.

Non-motorized use including hiking, biking, and horseback riding is always permitted on closed roads. ATV use is not permitted on any forest roads that are not part of the ATV trail system. Roads traditionally open on a year-round basis will remain open for the hunting seasons.

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Note to reporters: attached is the list of hunter roads.

Marienville District Roads, 814/927-6628			Bradford District Roads, 814/362-4613		
Forest Road #	County	Road Name	Forest Road #	County	Road Name
125A	Elk	Corduroy	558	Forest	Schwab Ridge (open to sign)
134	Elk	Pigeon	117	Warren	Rock Run (open to 2 nd gate)
161	Elk	Davidson Run	140	Warren	Coal Flat
185E 185F	Elk	Little Mill Creek	204	Warren	Robs Knob
196	Elk	Martin Ridge	252	Warren	West off FR 154
198	Elk	Crane-Martin	438	Warren	Clarendon Run
228B	Elk	Zimmerman Tower	441	Warren	Mix Muddy Branch
326 341	Elk Elk	Wolf Run Turkey Roost	534	Warren Warren	Cherry Grove Center
394	Elk	Watson Branch	552	Warren	East Hickory
442	Elk	Big Run	120A	McKean	County Line "A"
580	Elk	Spring Creek	153	McKean	Tracy (both gates)
581	Elk	Propagation	174	McKean	Prue Hollow
584	Elk	Elk Forest	272	McKean	Willow Creek Br.
591	Elk	Log Run	273	McKean	Fuller Brook (open to 2 nd gate)
592	Elk	Lick Run	317	McKean	Pennzoil (open to 2 nd gate)
757	Elk	Turkey Flock	451	McKean	Switch Hollow
443,443A	Elk/Forest	Crane Run	478	McKean	North Westline
128F	Forest	Seldom Seen	479	McKean	North Thundershower
145A	Forest	Salmon Creek	500	McKean	Dutchman (open to 2 nd gate)
166	Forest	Laurel Run	500A	McKean	Dutchman
180	Forest	The Branch	628	McKean	Plateau
208	Forest	Prather Run			
214	Forest	Wildcat Run			
218A	Forest	Hastings			
219	Forest	Rocky Run			
223	Forest	Bald Hill			
225	Forest	Rest Area			
395	Forest	Pipeline			
396, 396A	Forest	Horse Trail			
399	Forest	Three Mile			
488	Forest	Reck Branch			
526	Forest	Coal Bed Run			
559	Forest	West Bird Dog			
683	Forest	Bald Hill			
279	McKean	Headwaters			
295, 295A	McKean	South Branch			
432, 432A	McKean	Trail West			
448	McKean	Hubert Run			
463	McKean	Greendale			
475	McKean	Breezy Heights			

The following roads were not included on the Motor Vehicle Use Map (MVUM), but will be open from October 4, 2008, thru January 10, 2009:

FR#	County	Road Name	FR#	County	Road Name
340A,B,C & D	Elk	Silver Creek	309	McKean	Kennedy Springs
128FA	Forest	Seldom Seen Area	318	McKean	Duck Pond
130B	Forest	Lamonaville – B	464	McKean	Lafayette/Marshburg
166B	Forest	Laurel Run	480	McKean	Wildcat
418	Forest	Bush Creek	163	Warren	Cherry Knob
774	Forest	Pearsall Run	254	Warren	Bull Hill
268	McKean	Bump Run	410A	Warren	Messenger Run
306	McKean	Timbuck	648	Warren	Dunham Run (open to 2 nd gate)