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Bridger Bowl Honored for Sustainable Operations

Bozeman, MT... The Gallatin National Forest and the Greater Yellowstone Coordinating Committee (GYCC) has honored Bridger Bowl with an award for the ski resort's sustainable operations efforts. The locally-owned and non-profit Bridger Bowl ski area is located about onehalf hour north of Bozeman, Montana and operates under special user permit on the Gallatin National Forest.

Bridger Bowl is committed to social and environmental sustainable operations. The resort has established a car-pooling and free bus service program, a recycling and conservation program, participates in a conservation education campaign, and instituted into their operations a sustainability committee that works with the Yellowstone Business Partnership Program "Uncommon Sense". The program "Uncommon Sense" is designed to help businesses recognize, measure and reduce their waste stream as well as make better decisions in purchasing, consumption and management practices related to sustainability.

"We felt it was important to recognize Bridger Bowl's self initiated and exemplary efforts in their commitment to environmentally sustainable operations and care for national forest system lands," said Jane Ruchman, Gallatin National Forest representative to the GYCC Sustainable Operations Subcommittee. "Bridger Bowl's continuing efforts to make operations more sustainable has positive impacts that are felt throughout the community."

For more information please visit the Gallatin National Forest online at <u>www.fs.fed.us/r1/gallatin/</u> or visit Bridger Bowl online at <u>www.bridgerbowl.com</u>.

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