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## **Comments Wanted for Bruce Creek to Alpine 7 to Napa Point Motorized Trails Project**

The Swan Lake and Spotted Bear Ranger Districts of the Flathead National Forest have completed the Bruce Creek to Alpine 7 to Napa Point Motorized Trails Project Environmental Assessment and request public comment on the proposal.

The project analyzes restricting currently authorized motorcycle use on three trail segments totaling approximately 20 miles on the Swan Lake and Spotted Bear Ranger Districts of the forest. This project is located in the Southern Swan Crest area, approximately nine miles southeast of Bigfork and about two miles west of Spotted Bear Ranger Station.

Spotted Bear District Ranger Debbie Mucklow said, "There is limited motorcycle use on these trails and some of the trails are located in steep areas difficult to maintain for motorcycle use. In addition, this proposal improves security for grizzly bears."

Comments on this proposal should be postmarked by May 8 and forwarded to Spotted Bear District Ranger Mucklow at P.O. Box 190340, Hungry Horse, Montana. For more information, including a copy of the environmental assessment, visit <u>www.fs.fed.us/r1/flathead/nepa/trav\_mngmt</u> or contact project leader Dale Luhman or Ranger Mucklow at 387-3800.