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## Washington DC Court Validates Work of Flathead National Forest

The Flathead National Forest was recently upheld in United States District Court for the District of Columbia, in Washington DC, involving litigation by plaintiffs Montanans for Multiple Use and fourteen other individuals and entities. In 2003 the plaintiffs alleged that the forest did not comply with several laws and procedural activities.

The court determined that the Flathead National Forest complied with the laws and dismissed the plaintiff's claims.

Flathead National Forest Planning Staff Officer Rob Carlin said, "We are pleased with the court's ruling and will continue working to achieve the balance that multiple use management requires on National Forest System lands."

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