

## **Flathead National Forest**

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## **Enjoy Snowmobiling on Flathead National Forest**

The Flathead National Forest offers many areas for snowmobiling, with groomed and ungroomed trail opportunities. In partnership with the Forest, the Flathead Snowmobile Association and the Cutbank Snowgoers groom several trail systems in the area.

Snowmobile access information, including maps, are available from any forest service office. The maps outline forest routes and also include information about groomed trails accessing state lands in the Flathead area.

All snowmobiles ridden on public lands must be properly registered and include appropriate safety equipment. State law also requires that over-the-snow machines are prohibited on roads being used by other motor vehicles. There are some temporary restrictions on the Flathead National Forest related to salvage activities in the North Fork area and Westside Reservoir area of the forest. Please contact the Hungry Horse and Glacier View District Office for specific information, 387-3800.

Snowmobilers, as well as any winter recreationist, should always stay current with the local weather conditions and avalanche danger. Updated avalanche danger and information are available at <a href="https://www.glacieravalanche.org">www.glacieravalanche.org</a>.

Designated wilderness, such as the Bob Marshall, Great Bear and Mission Mountains Wildernesses, and the Jewell Basin Hiking Area are not open to snowmobiling. It is the responsibility of each rider to know where you can ride.

Enjoy the Flathead National Forest for your winter recreation adventures! Please remember to respect the rights of all users, and share the trails and the forest.