



Flathead National Forest

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Recreation Activities on Flathead National Forest

Many campgrounds and recreation sites on the Flathead National Forest are open and accessible for the upcoming Memorial Day weekend, although some sites at higher elevations may be inaccessible due to snow. Sites along rivers and in low-lying areas may be inaccessible due to flooding. All forest users are encouraged to contact a local Flathead National Forest office to obtain timely information about spring forest conditions and access.

Fees are being charged at most campgrounds with services, such as drinking water, toilet facilities, garbage and campground host. Overnight fees vary from \$10 to \$14. For a listing of Flathead National Forest campgrounds, services available and fees charged, visit www.fs.fed.us/r1/flathead.

The East-side Reservoir Road along Hungry Horse Reservoir is open to Spotted Bear and Meadow Creek, while the West-side Reservoir Road is open to the Lost Johnny Point Campground.

Anyone recreating on or by rivers and streams should use caution due to high and cold waters, and increasing amounts of debris in the water.

Many of the Forest trails are still covered with snow and inaccessible at this time. Some of the lower elevation trails may be accessible, but the travel route may be muddy and/or scattered with downed trees. Please travel with caution and be mindful of resource damage when the ground is wet and in spring-breakup conditions.

Forest campers and visitors are reminded that all food and food-related items should be stored in a bear-resistant manner. The Flathead National Forest is home to grizzly and black bears, and responsible human actions will help decrease unwanted bear encounters.

For more information about recreation opportunities or the food storage order on the Flathead National Forest, please visit www.fs.fed.us/r1/flathead or contact a local Forest Service Office.

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