



## FLATHEAD NATIONAL FOREST

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### **Public Comments Needed for Proposed Snowranger Program on Flathead National Forest**

The Flathead National Forest is interested in creating and managing a winter snowranger program that would provide education, interpretation and safety information to winter recreationists across the forest. The forest is applying for a Recreational Trails Grant through Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks that would assist in implementing the program.

Snowrangers would provide information at winter recreation trailheads and staging areas, post information and maps on bulletin boards, install and maintain signage, and provide personal contacts with winter forest users. The program would help in the management of winter multi-use trails, and include installation and maintenance of counters at key snowmobile access points on the forest.

Public comments on this proposal are invited. For more information or to comment, please contact Paula Peterson at the Hungry Horse District, 406-387-3800.

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