



Flathead National Forest

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Last Free Basic Avalanche Workshop Offered

The Flathead National Forest in partnership with Glacier Country Avalanche Center is sponsoring a free avalanche awareness clinic this **Wednesday, February 11, 6:30-8:00pm**, at the Flathead National Forest Office in Kalispell. (650 Wolfpack Way)

Flathead National Forest spokesperson Denise Germann said, “This is the last basic avalanche class scheduled for this season. Germann says the class is a good basic introduction to avalanche awareness and encourages everyone to consider taking advantage of this opportunity.

Registration is not required, but participants may contact the Flathead National Forest at 758-5295 or visit www.glacieravalanche.org for more information.

REMINDER:

The Flathead National Forest issues avalanche advisories for Northwest Montana throughout the winter, beginning the first Friday in December or as weather conditions warrant. Advisories are issued once a week, on Friday mornings, until the third week in December when they are issued Tuesday and Friday mornings until April. Advisories include information about snowpack conditions, weather forecasts, and hazard evaluations. Visit www.glacieravalanche.org or call 406-257-8402 for these advisories. Anyone traveling in the backcountry will always need to make their own time and site specific avalanche hazard evaluations.

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