Hebgen Lake Ranger District **News Release**



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Snowmobilers Cited for Wilderness Trespass

The Gallatin National Forest recently issued 11 citations to snowmobilers riding in the Lee Metcalf Wilderness Area. Motorized use is not allowed in congressionally designated wilderness areas. The wilderness trespasses occurred in the Upper Teepee Basin approximately 20 miles northwest of West Yellowstone, Montana. Those cited were from Canada and the Bozeman area.

"It is important people know where they are on the landscape while they're recreating," said Lauren Turner, Hebgen Lake District Ranger. "While the wilderness boundary is posted, having a map is very important. Maps are available at all Gallatin National Forest Ranger District offices and at many businesses."

Recreationists are reminded to check avalanche conditions before heading out. The Gallatin National Forest Avalanche Center provides daily updates and conditions can be checked by calling (406) 587-6981 or by visiting us on the web at MTAVALANCHE.com.

For more information, please contact the Hebgen Lake Ranger District at (406) 823-6961. Illegal activity can be reported to the Hebgen Lake Ranger District or by calling 1-800-TIPMONT.

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