



# FOREST SERVICE PERSPECTIVE

#### GREATER YELLOWSTONE AREA TRANSPORTATION NEEDS ASSESSMENT WORKSHOP

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~Forest Service Motto





To sustain the health, diversity, and productivity of the Nation's forests and grasslands to meet the needs of present and future generations.

~Forest Service Mission





"to provide the greatest amount of good for the greatest amount of people in the long run."

~Gifford Pinchot, first Chief



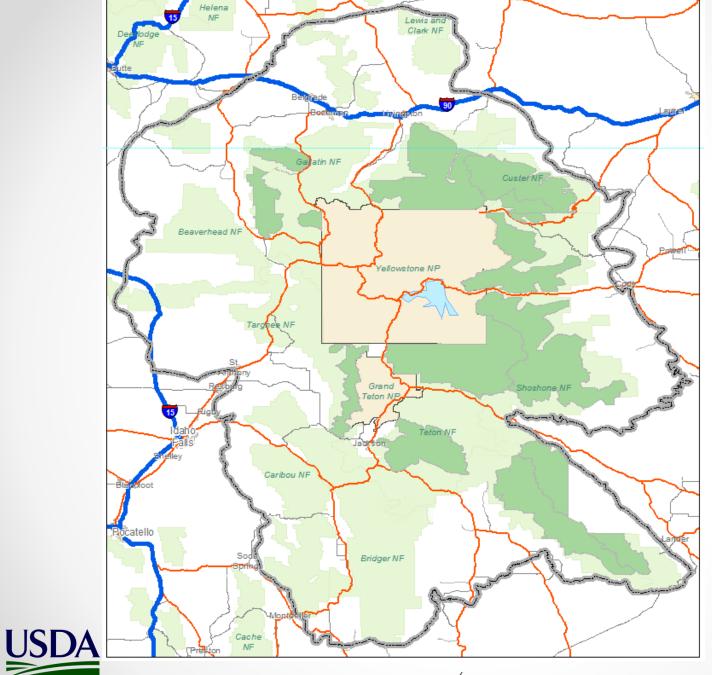


## **Transportation Objectives**

- Provide access for the administration, utilization, and protection of NFS lands
- Provide safe and efficient travel
- Sustainable access in a fiscally responsible manner consistent with land management plan
- Manage within the environmental capabilities of the land
- Provide an appropriate range of recreation opportunities and minimize conflicts



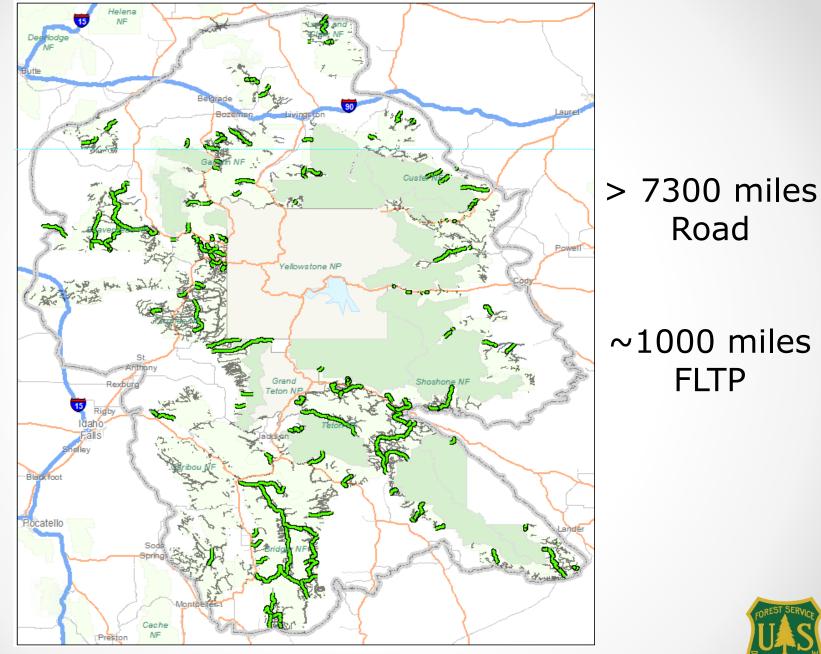




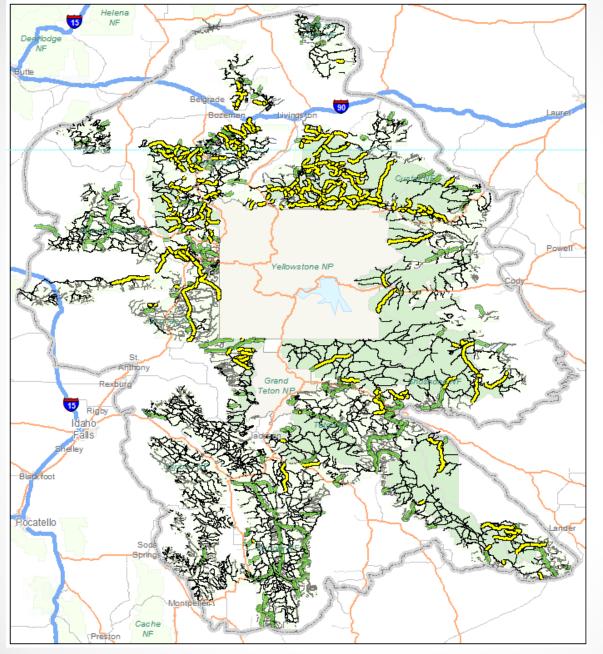
49% NFS Lands

36% of the NFS Land is managed as Wilderness







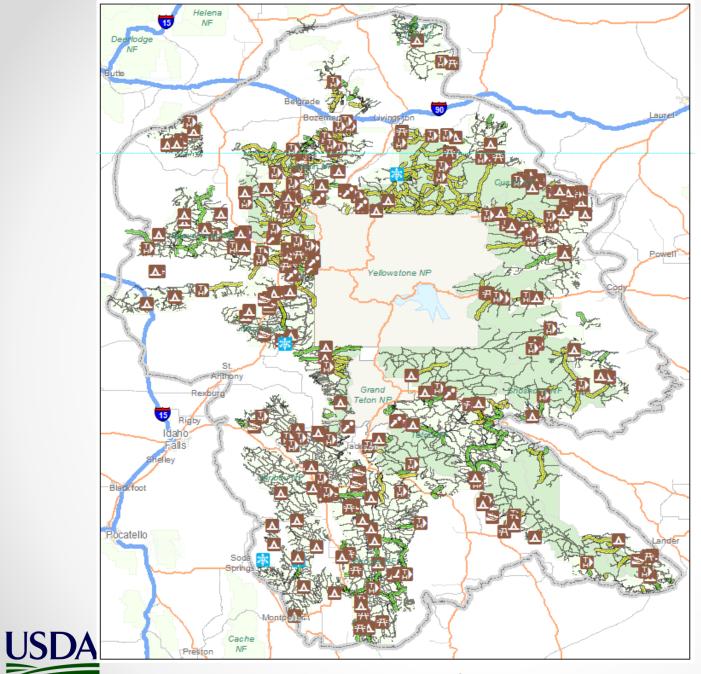


#### > 9500 miles Trail

#### ~1300 miles FLTP







> 3000 Recreation Sites

~1250 Developed Sites

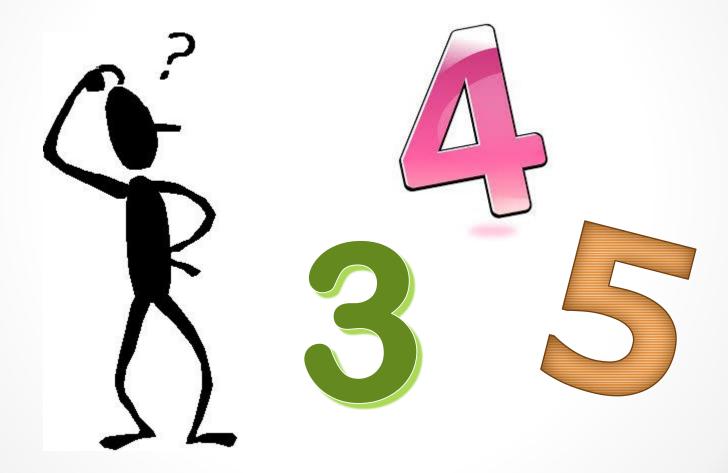




- 7 Million Visitors
- Over 63% of visitors travel < 50 miles</li>
- 80% of visitors travel < 100 miles.</p>
- 25% Employment related to Travel and Tourism > national average of 15%



### Needs being met Scale 1 to 10







### Programs

- Federal Lands and Tribal Transportation Program (FLTTP).
  - Federal Land Access Program
  - Federal Lands Transportation Program
- Partnerships with
  - States
  - Counties
  - Outfitter-guides
  - Concessionaires
  - Local User Groups







#### Main Boulder MT - FLAP

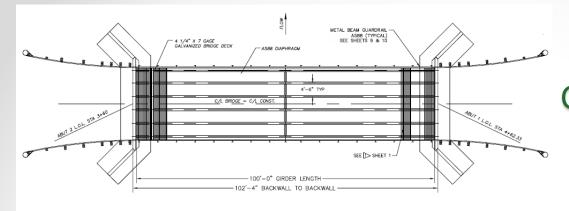


#### Beartooth Hwy WY - FLAP





### Gros Ventre Road WY - FLAP



#### Crystal Creek Bridge R4 - FLTP

BRIDGE LAYOUT



Hyalite Canyon Rd R1 - FLTP USDA



Louis Lake Rd R2 - FLTP



### **Greatest Concerns for FS**



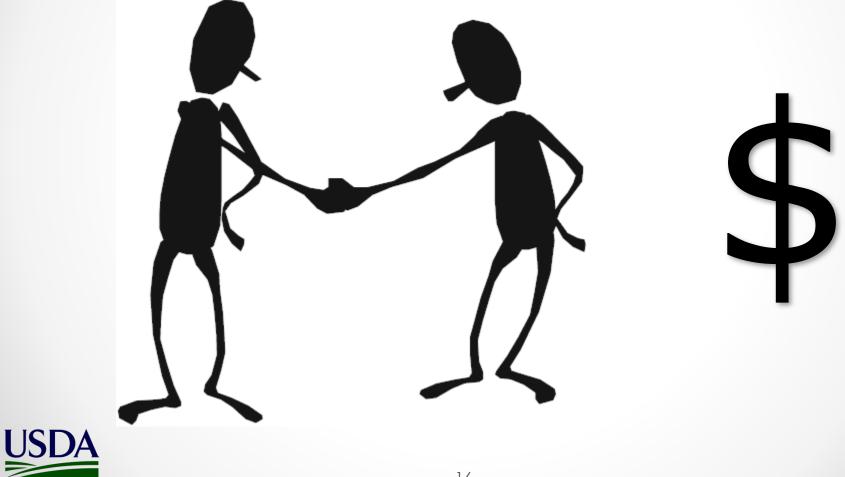


- Increased overflow and pass-thru visitation
- Change in use from designed use due to a different type of user
- Infrastructure O&M funding source





### Partnership





### When

- Safety and Waste management
  - Imminently (short term)

### Manage Overflow/Pass Through

- Within the next 3-5 years
- Continue improvements and preventive maintenance
  - Within the next 10-20 years



