



FOREST SERVICE PERSPECTIVE

GREATER YELLOWSTONE AREA TRANSPORTATION NEEDS ASSESSMENT WORKSHOP

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Caring for the Land and Serving People.

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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



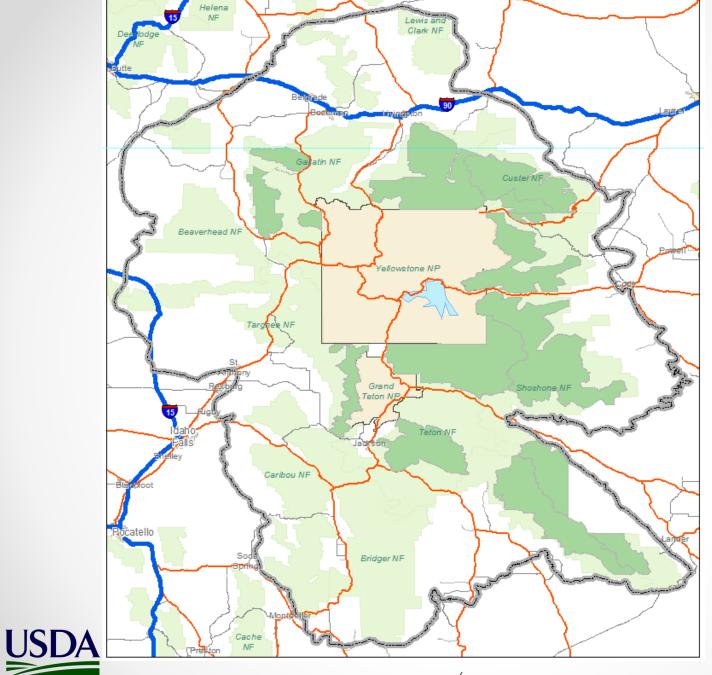


Transportation Objectives

- 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



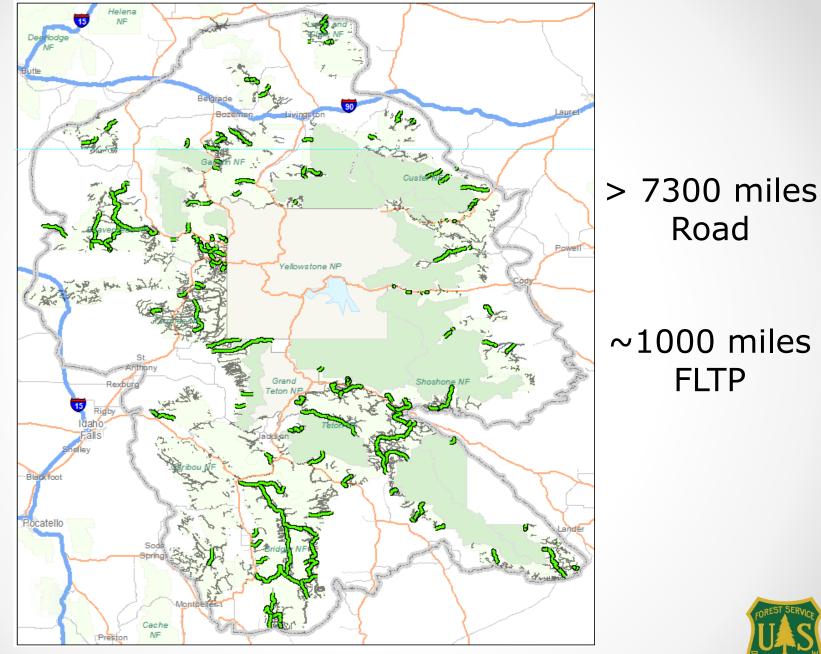




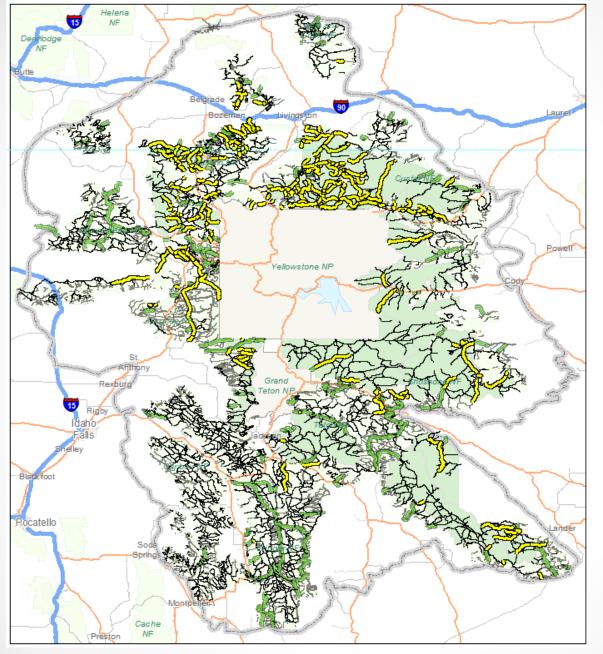
49% NFS Lands

36% of the NFS Land is managed as Wilderness







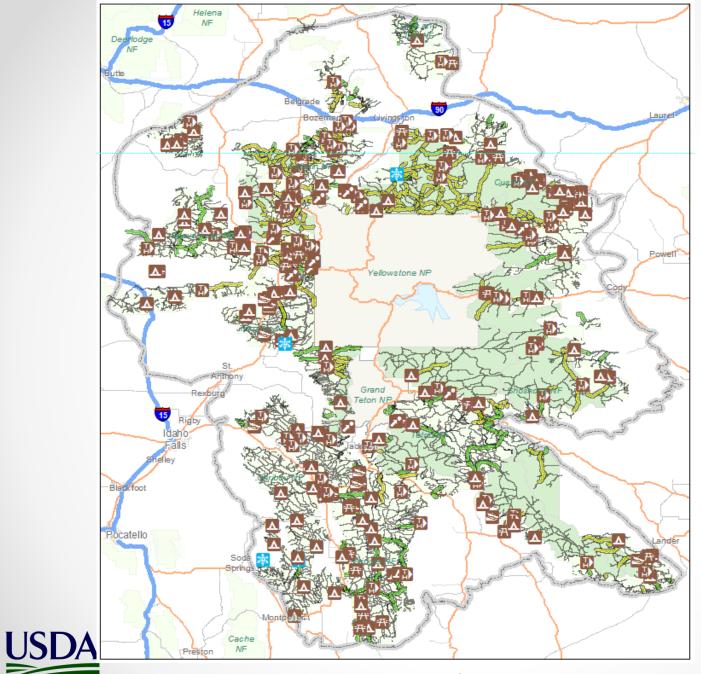


> 9500 miles Trail

~1300 miles FLTP







> 3000 Recreation Sites

~1250 Developed Sites

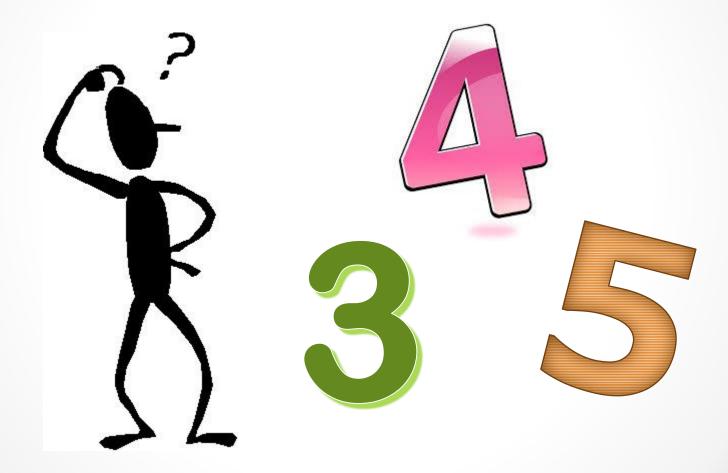




- 7 Million Visitors
- Over 63% of visitors travel < 50 miles
- 80% of visitors travel < 100 miles.</p>
- 25% Employment related to Travel and Tourism > national average of 15%



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

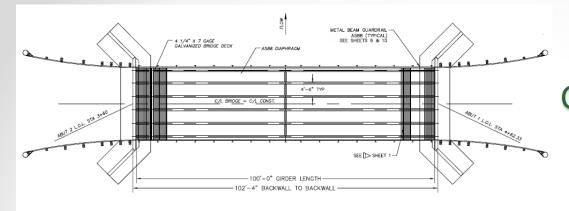


Beartooth Hwy WY - FLAP





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



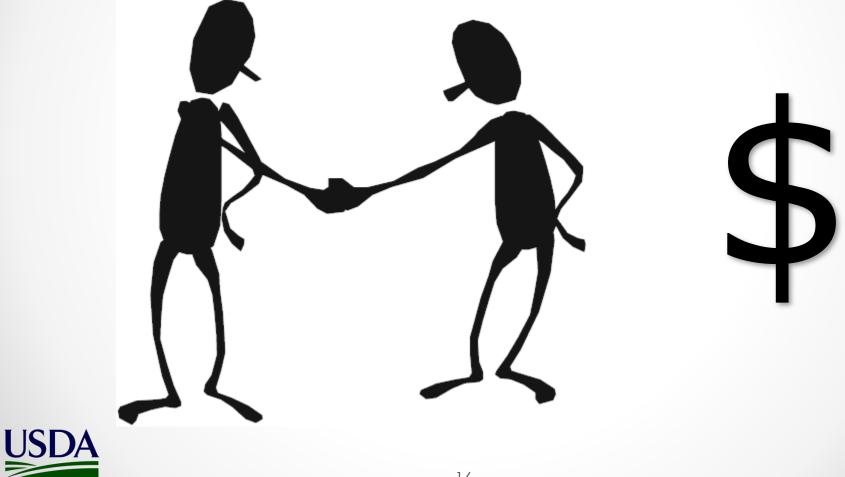


- Increased overflow and pass-thru visitation
- Change in use from designed use due to a different type of user
- Infrastructure O&M funding source





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



