



Recreation Report

Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest
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Memorial Day Weekend

Historically, Memorial Day weekend is one of the biggest camping events of the year on the Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest.

Most national forest campgrounds will be accessible for the Memorial Day weekend.

Recreationists need to keep in mind though, that although the warm spring temperatures have helped to melt a lot of snow in the lower elevation areas, there is still snow in the higher elevations of the forest.

Recreationists looking for sites to camp in the Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest will need to have alternative plans in mind in case their favorite campground is not yet open or is full when they arrive. Most national forest campground fees range from \$5 to \$20 per night, depending upon amenities available. Camping is on a first-come, first-served basis at most campgrounds in the Okanogan-Wenatchee Forest.

Following is information about campgrounds that are currently open, or will be open by Memorial Day weekend in the Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest.

Chelan Ranger District:

All up-lake campgrounds are open and most docks are accessible. Snowberry Bowl Campground is open with fees of \$10/vehicle/night and \$8/night for any additional vehicles at occupied sites. Please call the ranger district office for the latest information (the Chelan Ranger Station will be open on Saturday, May 25).

Cle Elum Ranger District:

The district campgrounds that will be open by Memorial Day weekend include Beverly, Cayuse Horse Camp, Cle Elum River, Ice Water Creek, Kachess, Manastash, Mineral Springs, Red Mountain, Rider's Camp, Salmon La Sac, Swauk, Taneum, Taneum Junction, and Wish Poosh campgrounds

Entiat Ranger District:

Pine Flats, Fox Creek, Lake Creek, Silver Falls, North Fork, and Spruce Grove campgrounds are now open and charging camping fees.

Methow Valley Ranger District:

Early Winters, Klipchuck, Lone Fir, Ballard, River Bend, Buck Lake, Flat, Nice, Ruffed Grouse, Honeymoon, Falls Creek, Chewuch, Camp 4, War Creek Mystery, Poplar Flat, South Creek,. Road's End, Black Pine Lake, Twisp River Horse Camp, JR, Loup Loup, and Foggy Dew campgrounds are open. Campers need to bring drinking water and pack out their trash at most of these campgrounds.

Naches Ranger District

American Forks, Cedar Springs, Cottonwood, Little Naches, Sawmill Flat, Indian Creek, Willows, and Windy Point are now open. Crow Creek, Halfway Flat, Kaner Flat, Clear Lake, Indian Creek, South Fork Bay, South Fork Tieton Bake Oven, Jayhawk, and Minnie Meadows campgrounds will be open by May 23. Cougar Flat Campground is closed due to flood damage.

Tonasket Ranger District

All of the district campgrounds (Bonaparte, Lost Lake, Beth, Beaver, Oriole, Kerr, Sugarloaf, Salmon Meadows, and Cottonwood) are open. Most campsites in the 5-lakes area fill up quickly for long weekends like the one approaching. Arriving early is recommended at these popular sites.

Wenatchee River Ranger District:

Eightmile, Bridge Creek, Lower Johnny, Upper Johnny, Tumwater, Ida Creek, Chatter Creek, and Rock Island campgrounds and Black Pine Horse Camp are open. Chiwawa Road is barracked just beyond Schaefer Creek Campground due to road damage. Only 12 campsites are open at Nason Creek Campground; the remainder of the campsite is closed due to damage sustained this winter. Repairs are ongoing. Goose Creek Campground is open.

Following are some things to keep in mind when camping in the National Forest:

1. Target practice is not necessarily safe in remote forested areas. It is illegal to shoot in the vicinity of campgrounds or other developed recreation areas, where visitors are camping, over water, or over or near roads or highways.
2. Please avoid causing inconvenience, annoyance, or alarm by making unreasonably loud noise or noises which disturb others on the National Forest. Remember, others come to the forest for peace and quiet. Leave radios and other noise makers at home and enjoy the natural sounds of the forest.
3. It is illegal to damage any natural feature on National Forest land. Nails in trees, abandoned camping gear or litter, or driving through grassy meadows are all illegal acts. These regulations are enforced to protect the forest for the enjoyment of all recreationists.
4. Pets need to be under control at all times. Dogs are often confused by new sights and smells and become disoriented in a forest setting. Remember, a number of animals call the forest their home and being barked at or chased by dogs stresses these animals and causes them to abandon their homes or territories.
5. Each year forest visitors mistakenly assume that baby animals left alone have been abandoned by their parents. It is neither wise nor legal to bother young animals found in the forest. If isolated young animals are encountered, back off immediately and give the parent animals the space and time to come back and care for their young.
6. Although weather conditions may be cool, there is still potential for wildfires, especially if recreationists do not extinguish campfires properly. Please make sure all campfires are completely extinguished prior to leaving your campsite.

Whether recreationists visit the forest during the big Memorial Day holiday weekend or wait until later in the year, visitors need to always remember to be careful with fire, to pack out all garbage, and remember the six points described above. For more specific campground information, please contact individual ranger district offices.

Other Forest Related Information

OFFICE ADDRESSES and PHONE NUMBERS:

Chelan Ranger District, 428 W. Woodin Ave., Chelan, WA 98816; 509-682-4900

Cle Elum Ranger District, 803 W. 2nd Street, Cle Elum, WA 98922; 509-852-1100

Entiat Ranger District, physical address 2108 Entiat Way, (mailing address P.O. Box 476), Entiat, WA 98822; 509-784-4700

Methow Valley Ranger District, 24 West Chewuch Road, Winthrop, WA 98862; 509-996-4000

Naches Ranger District, 10237 Hwy. 12, Naches, WA 98937; 509-653-1401

Okanogan Valley Office, 1240 South Second Ave., Okanogan, WA 98840; 509-826-3275

Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest Headquarters office, 215 Melody Lane, Wenatchee, WA 98801; 509-664-9200

Tonasket Ranger District, 1 W. Winesap, Tonasket, WA 98855; 509-486-2186

Wenatchee River Ranger District, 600 Sherbourne, Leavenworth, WA 98826; 509-548-2550

TICKS:

Forest Service employees are reporting that ticks are very abundant in the woods right now.

Ways to protect yourself from ticks:

- Avoid tall grass and shrubby areas.
- Stay close to the center of hiking trails and avoid brushing against vegetation.
- Wear long-sleeved shirts tight at the wrists, long pants tucked into socks, and shoes covering the entire foot.
- Wear light-colored clothes that show ticks easily.
- Examine your body for ticks, and pay special attention to your head (including your scalp), back, neck, armpits, and groin area.
- Examine pets closely for ticks on a daily basis, especially around the head and inside the ears.
- Wearing an insect repellent also might help. Read and follow all precautions and directions on the label.

SNAKES:

Whenever encountering a wild animal, or in this case a wild reptile, it is a good idea to give them the right of way and not harass or harm them. Recreationists should be especially cautious of rattlesnakes in tall grass, rock outcrops, talus slopes, and low elevation dry site forest ecosystems.

When hiking, walk slowly and use a walking stick to probe the vegetation ahead of you, especially when hiking cross-country through thick brush. Also, walk slowly to give snakes a chance to detect you and move out of the way. Remember to watch where you place your hands and feet. If you, a family member, or a friend gets bitten by a rattlesnake, stay calm, and transport the victim to the nearest emergency medical facility.

SAFETY:

If heading to the woods, it's a good idea to be sure to let someone know where you are going, when you plan to return and what to do if you don't return on time. Remember to let them know when you do return. Make sure your vehicle is in good working order. Dress appropriately for all weather conditions. Avoid cotton clothing and dress in layers. Stay dry, shed layers if you are sweating, add layers if you are cold. Wear sturdy waterproof boots. Stay warm, stay dry, stay safe and have fun.

COMMERCIAL MUSHROOM PERMITS:

Permits are required for all commercial mushroom gathering on the Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest. Individuals are required to have their commercial mushroom permit in their possession at all times when gathering mushrooms. These permits are available for purchase at all Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest ranger district offices and headquarters office. Commercial mushroom permit fees are \$20 for a 4-day permit, \$50 for a 30-day permit or \$100 for a season permit which ends on July 31. Mushroom harvesting area maps and harvesting information brochures are available at forest offices and on the forest website at www.fs.usda.gov/okawen.

PERSONAL USE MUSHROOM PERMITS:

Personal use mushroom gathering of three gallons per day is free. No permit is required. Personal use mushroom pickers are required to make a vertical cut through the stems of the mushrooms immediately upon harvest. Mushroom gathering is prohibited in Wilderness areas.



WOODCUTTING INFORMATION:

Woodcutting permits are on sale at all Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest offices. The minimum firewood permit is \$20 for four cords of wood. The cost for permits over the four-cord minimum is \$5 per cord. Generally, woodcutters may cut wood that has fallen to the ground and standing dead trees (except wildlife habitat trees).

There are a few things to keep in mind when preparing to go woodcutting:

- It is a good idea to scope out an area for wood before purchasing a woodcutting permit (the permits are not refundable).
- A woodcutting permit is required. The permit and woodcutting stubs must be in the woodcutter's possession when cutting firewood.
- A woodcutting area map is a necessity. These maps show the areas that are open and closed to woodcutting and are available free with the woodcutting permits.
- After shutting off the chainsaw woodcutters need to remain in the area at least one hour to watch for any potential fire starts from woodcutting equipment.
- Please validate the woodcutting stub (load ticket) by cutting out or marking out with a permanent pen the month and day that woodcutting occurs. The stub must be attached to the load when the vehicle is moved from the cutting site.
- Don't forget to bring along the safety items that are listed on the woodcutting permit (a chainsaw with the proper exhaust system in good repair with a screen-type spark arrestor, a long-handled shovel, and a fire extinguisher).
- Please note that firewood cutting season on the Naches Ranger District ends on the first Sunday in October.

INTERAGENCY PASS PROGRAM (America the Beautiful National Parks & Federal Recreation Lands Pass):

This pass combines the benefits of existing recreation passes from five federal agencies into one comprehensive Interagency Pass called "**America the Beautiful – National Parks and Federal Recreational Lands Pass.**"

- The pass covers recreation opportunities on public lands managed by National Park Service, Fish and Wildlife Service, Bureau of Land Management, Bureau of Reclamation, and U.S. Forest Service.
- The pass applies to those locations that currently have entrance or standard amenity fees.
- The annual pass sells for **\$80**, the lifetime senior pass is **\$10**, and the lifetime access pass and the volunteer passes are **free**.
- Passes are valid for **one full year** from the month of purchase.
- Passes provide entrance or access to the pass holder and accompanying passengers in a single, private, non-commercial vehicle at federally operated recreation sites across the country.
- Passes cover the pass holder and three (3) accompanying adults age 16 and older at sites where per person entrance fees are charged. No entry fee for children 15 and under.
- Passes are **NON-REFUNDABLE, NON-TRANSFERABLE**, and **cannot** be replaced if lost or stolen.
- The **new program replaces the Golden Eagle, Golden Age, and the Golden Access Passports as well as the National Parks Pass. Existing passes will remain valid until expired, lost or stolen.**
- These passes can be used in lieu of the Northwest Forest Pass.

RECREATION PASS PURCHASE INFORMATION:

A \$5 day use fee is required at many trailheads and day use sites across the Forest. The Northwest Forest Day Pass, Northwest Forest Annual Pass, and America The Beautiful Interagency Annual Pass are honored at all Forest Service-operated recreation sites where a day use fee is required. For a complete list of recreation sites where a day use fee is required, please visit <http://go.usa.gov/2YXA> or call your local ranger station.

Passes are available at **all ranger district offices** and the **forest headquarters** office in Wenatchee. The cost is \$30 for an annual pass and \$5 for a day use pass. For information about the Northwest Forest Pass call 1-800-270-7504 or to order it online go to www.naturenw.org.

- **Wenatchee area:** Northwest Forest passes are available at Arlberg Sports Inc., Hooked on Toys, Bi-Mart and Mountain Air Gear.
- **Chelan area:** Passes are available at the Chelan Ranger District office.
- **Lake Wenatchee area:** Passes are available at Midway Village Grocery, Parkside Grocery and Plain Hardware.
- **Leavenworth area:** In Leavenworth passes are available at Der Sportsman, Icicle Quik Stop 76 gas station, Sleeping Lady Mountain Retreat Gift Shop, and Pioneer Market in Cashmere.
- **Entiat area:** Passes are available at Cooper's General Store in the Entiat Valley and at the Entiat Ranger District office.
- **Cle Elum area:** Northwest Forest Pass vendors include Cle Elum Ranger Station and
 - Sportland Mini Mart Shell Station, 4402 Bullfrog Road, Cle Elum. Located 1 mile north of the Ranger Station on Hwy 903. Their phone number is 509-649-2260.
 - Sahaptin Outfitters, 119 East 1st Street, Cle Elum, 509-674-3938.
 - Kittitas County Chamber of Commerce, 609 N Main, Ellensburg, phone 509-925-2002.
 - Mountain High Sports, 105 E 4th Street, Ellensburg, phone 509-925-4626.
 - Bi-Mart, 608 East Mountain View, Ellensburg, phone 509-925-6973.
 - Mac A Bee Gifts of the Southwest, 1401 Airport Road, Cle Elum, phone 509-674-7055.
 - Stewart Lodge LLC, 805 W 1st St Cle Elum, phone 509-674-4548
- **Methow Valley area: Passes are available at the Methow Valley Ranger Station office, 24 W. Chewuch Road in Winthrop, and**
 - Winthrop Mountain Sports, 257 Riverside Avenue, Winthrop, phone 509 996-2886.
 - Methow Cycle and Sports, 19210 Hwy 20, Winthrop, phone 509 996-3645.
 - Valley Hardware/Do-It Center Hardware, 429 E. Methow Valley Hwy., Twisp, 509-997-3355.
 - Mazama Country Inn, 15 Country Road, Mazama, phone 509-996-2681 (Day passes only).
- **Naches area:** Northwest Forest passes can be purchased at the following locations.
 - Naches Ranger District office, 10237 U. S. Hwy 12, Naches, phone 509-653-1401
 - Slim's Market, 9951 US Hwy 12, Naches
 - Rimrock Grocery Store, 34090 U.S. Hwy 12, Naches, phone 509-672-2251
 - Bi-Mart stores in Yakima, Sunnyside and in Ellensburg

SPECIAL FOREST PRODUCTS:

Permits are required for gathering forest products including firewood, mushrooms, transplants, rocks and minerals, posts and poles, floral cuttings, pine cones, and boughs. Please contact Forest Service district offices for specific information. There is a minimum charge of \$20 per permit. Free use permits are available for small quantities of certain items for personal use. Special forest products permits for personal use firewood, personal use river rock and commercial use beargrass are available from the Cle Elum Ranger Station.

THE 10 ESSENTIALS:

Carry the 10 plus essentials when traveling in the backcountry—a map, compass, fire starter, water proof matches, extra food, extra water, extra clothing, knife, flashlight with spare batteries and bulb, first aid kit, sunglasses, cell phone, and a space blanket.

DISCOVER YOUR NORTHWEST (formerly known as Northwest Interpretive Association):

Check out the great selection of books, puzzles, cards, stuffed animals, kids stuff and much more at each of the DYNW sales outlets located in the reception areas at each ranger district office and at the forest headquarters office! These items make great Christmas and birthday gifts.

CHELAN RANGER DISTRICT

The office phone number is (509) 682-4900.

OFFICE HOURS: The Chelan Ranger District office is located at 428 West Woodin Avenue in Chelan with office hours of 7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Starting May 25, the office will also be open on Saturdays from 7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The Chelan Ranger District office also serves as an information center for the Lake Chelan National Recreation Area.

SNOW LEVEL: As of May 20, the Sno-tel site at Lyman Lake showed 82 inches of snow. Overall, the snow level is around 4,000 feet and rising with the warm weather quickly melting the snow.

LAKE LEVEL: The lake level was 1,093 feet above sea level on May 20. For more information on the lake level, please visit the Chelan County Public Utility District website at <http://www.chelanpubd.org/lake-chelan-lake-levels.cfm>.

CAMPING: All up-lake campgrounds are open and most docks are accessible. Dock accessibility will increase as the lake level raises. Please call the Chelan Ranger District office for the most current information. Snowberry Bowl Campground is open with fees of \$10/vehicle/night and \$8/night for any additional vehicles at occupied sites.

DOCK PERMITS: Permits to use Federal docks on Lake Chelan are required May 1 through October 31. Day permits are \$5 and season permits are \$40. Dock permits are available for sale at the Chelan Ranger District office and the forest headquarters office in Wenatchee. Permits are also available from the following vendors:

- **Chelan:** Kelly's Hardware, Chelan Chamber of Commerce, Twenty-five Mile Creek State Park, and Lake Chelan State Park
- **Manson:** Old Mill Park and Reed's Marine

WOODCUTTING PERMITS: Permits to cut firewood are available at the Chelan Ranger District office. The cost is \$20 for a four-cord permit, and the permit is good until December 31, 2013. As the weather heats up, please be aware of the current Industrial Fire Precaution Level before cutting firewood.

ROADS: Most roads have limited access or are inaccessible due to snow. Be prepared for all weather conditions when traveling on forest roads.

Road Number	Road Name	Road Condition
FS 8200	Grade Creek	Open to Camas Creek. Soft and muddy conditions.
FS 8140	Antoine	Open to the first cattle guard, snow beyond
FS 5900	Shady Pass	The lower elevation is open.
FS 8410	Slide Ridge	Open to the top of the switch backs with snow beyond.
FS 8500	Forest Mountain	Open to the Entiat District divide, the gate is locked after that. Bear Mountain road is open to the gate and radio tower.
FS 8010	Putterman	Open. The road is soft; there is snow in places after you reach the top.
FS 8020	Cooper Mountain	Open with snow in places.
FS 8210	Joe Creek	Open to the snow line, the road is soft in places.
FS 8215 & 117 Spur	Mitchell Creek Loop	Open, the road is soft in places.

TRAILS: If you are going out for a day hike, beware that a stream crossing that is safe to cross in the morning may be too hazardous to cross on the way back in the afternoon because of increased snow melting in the afternoon heat.

Strong winds can occur at any time and more trees are likely to fall across the trails. In burned areas, there can be quite a few newly fallen trees across the trails.

The Lakeshore Trail is snow free; however, the trail has not been maintained. Ticks, rattlesnakes, bears, and nuisance deer will keep you good company on the Lakeshore Trail. A Washington Trails Association crew will be working out of the Domke Lake Campground maintain trails leading to Emerald Park.

- Snow covers all **Sawtooth Backcountry** non-Wilderness trails
- **Echo Ridge** Trails No. 1290 – No. 1297 are snow free

HOLDEN MINE REMEDIATION : For information about Holden Mine clean-up activities, please contact the Chelan Ranger District at 509-682-4900 or visit the project website at <http://www.fs.usda.gov/okawen/> . For information about Holden Village during mine remediation activities, please visit the Holden Village's website at www.holdenvillage.org .

CLE ELUM RANGER DISTRICT

The office phone number is (509) 852-1100.

OFFICE HOURS: The ranger station is open Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. *with a 45-minute closure for lunch from 12:30 to 1:15 p.m.*

SNOQUALMIE PASS VISITOR INFORMATION CENTER will open for the summer recreation season on Thursday, May 23. Hours of operation are Thursday through Sunday, 8:30 – 3:30. The visitor center offers books, maps, passes, permits, and current recreation and trail information for the Snoqualmie Pass area. For more information call 425-434-6111.

WOODCUTTING: Permits to cut firewood are available at the Cle Elum Ranger District office. Permits are sold in half cord increments with a minimum purchase of \$20 for four cords. The current Industrial Fire Precaution Level for zone 675 is Level 1.

Wood Permits are also available in Ellensburg from the Kittitas County Chamber of Commerce Visitor Center located at 609 N. Main Street. A \$2 vendor fee will be charged to each permit sold.

ROADS: Most low to mid-elevation roads are now open to wheeled vehicles. You will likely encounter snow and winter debris in mid to high elevations. Please stay on the road; do not go around snow drifts as more will block the road in a short distance.

The following roads are now open to wheeled vehicles; this information is current as of May 20, 2013:

- Lion Gulch Road No. 9712 is gated near its junction with Road No. 9716.
- Road No. 9712 is gated at the junction of roads 9712 and 9716.
- Cougar Gulch Road No. 9718 is open and snow free.
- Deer Gulch Road No. 9726 is snow free.
- Manastash Road No. 3100 is snow free to Buck Meadows. Road 3100 is still washed at the Manastash Creek crossing at Buck Meadows. Narrow wheel based vehicles can cross on the puncheon bridge on Road No. 4WD 311. Repairs are scheduled for this summer.
- Taneum Road No. 3300 is snow free.
- Gnat Flat Road No. 3330 is snow free.
- Peoh Point Road No. 3350 is snow free.
- Reecer Creek Road No. 3500 is gated near the junction of Road No. 3517.
- Road No. 3507 is gated closed at the junction of roads 3500 and 3507.
- Iron Creek Road No. 9714 is snow free to the Iron Creek Trailhead.
- North Fork Teanaway Road No. 9737 is snow free to the Ingalls Way/Esmeralda Trailhead.
- Blue Creek Road No. 9738 is snow free to the Blue Jack Divide.
- Jack Creek Road No. 9738 is snow free to within a half mile of the Blue Jack Divide.
- Cooper Lake Road No. 46 is snow free to Cooper Lake.
- French Cabin Creek Road No. 4308 is snow free.
- Fish Lake Road No. 4330 is snow free to near Fortune Creek.
- Stampede Pass Road No. 5400 last report was May 10, snow free to Mosquito Creek.
- Lost Lake Road No. 5480 is snow free for 4 miles.

Those hunting for mushrooms can walk beyond the gates, but no wheeled vehicles/apparatus are allowed beyond the gates.

CAMPING: All campgrounds on the Cle Elum Ranger District will be open on May 23 except, Owhi at Cooper Lake, DeRoux, Fish Lake, and Ken Wilcox Horse Camp at Haney Meadows. These, with the exception of Ken Wilcox, will open when snow melt permits and spring maintenance is completed. Ken Wilcox Horse Camp was partially burned during the 2012 Table Mountain Fire. It is unclear at this time when it will open for the 2013 camping season.

The French Cabin Creek and Cooper Bridge dispersed camping area along the Cle Elum River is also available. There are no services in these areas, please pack out your trash and properly dispose of human waste.

WILDFLOWERS: Balsamroot, lupine and an occasional paintbrush are in bloom along Reecer Creek Road No. 3500 in the switchbacks. Glacier lily, spring beauties and trillium can be found in the Teanaway, Cle Elum Valley and near Kachess Lake.

TRAILS: Many motorized trails in the Liberty area have been opened for motorized use, as well as some trails in the Taneum. Visit www.fs.usda.gov/okawen/ to view a map of trails that are currently open for motorized use. Updated maps will also be posted at trailheads.

Roads leading into the Table Mountain fire area are gated and will remain closed through June 15. Closures apply to motorized travel only. Non-motorized use is permitted on all trails.

- **LIBERTY AREA:** All 4x4 trails west of road No. 3507 are open. This includes all the 4x4 trails west of US 97 leading up to Teanaway Ridge.
- **TEANAWAY:** No motorized trails are open to motorized use yet. There are some stretches of trail that are snow free, but there are no snow free loops, nor will there be by Memorial Day weekend.
- **TANEUM:** Fishhook loop and Gooseberry trail are open. Cle Elum Ridge Trail, North Fork Taneum and South Fork Taneum are all open part way up, but no loops are open in the upper part of the drainage yet. Some of these loops may get opened during Memorial Day weekend (depending on temperatures this week). Hoyt and Gnat Flat trails may also open depending upon weather conditions.
- **MANASTASH:** Divide Jeep Trail No. 4W311 and ATV Trail 30 are open. Crews are working to get some single-track trails open this week. None of the trails heading south up to Manastash Ridge will be open by Memorial Day weekend.

For hikers, the Cooper River, Waptus River and Silver Creek/Kachess Ridge trails have all been maintained for 1 to 3 miles. The Stafford Creek Trail is maintained and snow free for 3.8 miles, and the Iron Creek Trail is clear to Teanaway Ridge.

CABIN RENTALS: The Cle Elum Ranger District offers one cabin for public rental. For more information or to make reservations, contact Reserve USA at 1-877-444-6777 on line at www.reserveusa.com .

- ***Teanaway Guard Station*** is located along North Fork Teanaway Road No. 9737 north of Cle Elum. This small cabin offers a cozy spot for two people to enjoy the Teanaway Valley. The cabin has one bunk bed set that offers two twin beds.
- The Table Mountain A-Frame was destroyed in the Table Mountain Fire in September 2012. Visit <http://okanoganwenatcheenf.wordpress.com/table-mountain-cabin/> which has been designed to commemorate this popular cabin.

ENTIAT RANGER DISTRICT

The office phone number is **(509) 784-4700**.

OFFICE HOURS: 7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

SNOW: Snow is melting quickly off the front country lower elevation areas. Conditions are about 3 weeks ahead of a “normal” melt out. Snow is still deep above 4,500 feet and especially on north and east slopes.

CAMPGROUNDS: Pine Flat, Fox Creek, Lake Creek, Silver Falls, North Fork, and Spruce Grove campgrounds are now open. Cottonwood Campground remains closed, but forest visitors can use the area as long as they pack out all their garbage and bring their own drinking water. Beware, there are many dead trees in this campground that may fall at any time.

ROADS: Please tread lightly on Forest Service roads. As roads start to melt out they are susceptible to resource damage and are often hazardous to drive on. Many roads have downed trees across them; we are clearing them as fast as we can. **Shady Pass Road No. 5900** is impassable due to snow. **Entiat Valley Road** is open to Cottonwood Campground.

TRAILS: The majority of district trails are still under snow, but trails are melting out fast and new hiking opportunities will be occurring very soon.

Lower Mad River Trail No. 1409 is now melting out; it has been maintained for 6 miles and is snow free for approximately 15 miles from Pine Flat Campground. Wildflowers now blooming include bluebells, phlox, balsam root, and many more.

Trail crews are busy trying to clear trails and are running into a lot of downfall, partially due to the storm near Lake Wenatchee last winter in which thousands of trees came down due to heavy snow.

River and creek fords are running high and may be impassable. The Upper Mad River Trail is still under a seasonal closure, with the early melt out we do expect an earlier than normal opening--stay tuned for more information. Silver Falls National Recreation Trail is snow free but not maintained. Call the Entiat Ranger Station for current road and trail conditions.

WILDFIRE CLOSURES: The area closures have been lifted for Pyramid Fire and Klone Fire areas. On the Klone Fire, spur road No. 125 (just after Tommy Creek bridge) remains closed for resource protection and public safety; please do not go beyond the barricade.

METHOW VALLEY RANGER DISTRICT

The office phone number is **(509) 996-4003**.

OFFICE HOURS: Open Monday through Friday from 7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

WEATHER: A local weather forecast is available at <http://go.usa.gov/f4y>

SNOW: There is 54 inches of snow at Hart's Pass at 6,200 feet elevation, 33 inches at Washington Pass at 5,500 feet elevation, 31 inches at Rainy Pass, and no snow at Mazama at 2,170 feet elevation.

Be sure to know what the avalanche danger is before recreating in the high elevation areas of the national forest (go to www.nwav.us for current avalanche conditions).

WOODCUTTING: 2013 firewood permits are available at the Methow Valley Ranger District office, Hank's Harvest Foods, Pardners Mini-Mart and Twisp Chevron. Snow accumulation still blocks access to some higher elevation Forest Service roads.

ROADS: North Cascades Highway 20 is open.

Road Name and Number	Condition If the road you are interested in is not listed, we have no current information about that road.	Updated
Alder Creek/Look-out Mountain 1065-200	Snow cover unknown.	5/14/13
Alder Creek 1065-225	Snow free	5/20/13
Finley Canyon 1590-300	Snow free	5/14/13
Finley Canyon 1590-370	Open and snow free.	5/14/13
Bear Creek 1631-100	Snow free	5/14/13
Cougar Creek 1631-200	Snow free	5/14/13
Cougar Creek 1631-225	Snow free	5/14/13
Ramsey/Tripod 1631 5009-100	The road is still closed until permanent road repairs are completed.	5/14/13
Ramsey/Boulder 1631-5009-200	Access road 5009-100 is closed until permanent road repairs are completed in 2013.	5/14/13
Ramsey 1631, 5009-300	Access road 5009-100 is closed until permanent road repairs are completed in 2013.	5/14/13
State Route 20 (west to Washington/Rainy Passes)	North Cascades Highway 20 is OPEN.	5/1/13
Jack Creek Hwy 20-103	Snow free	5/1/13
Frazer Creek Hwy 20-670	Snow free	5/1/13
Boulder 37	Snow on road before Baldy Pass.	5/14/13
Lower Boulder 3700-980	Snow free	5/14/13
Boulder Creek to Rogers Lake 39	Snow cover unknown	5/14/13
Black Canyon 4010	Amount of snow cover is unknown.	5/1/13
Black Canyon 4010-050	Road wash-out	5/1/13
Black Canyon 4010-100	Amount of snow cover unknown.	5/1/13
South Summit 4100	Snow free	5/14/13
Benson Creek 4150	Snow free	5/3/13
Benson Creek 4150-200	Snow free	5/1/13
Benson Creek 4150-300	Snow free.	5/1/13
Pole Pick 4150-500	Snow cover unknown	5/20/13
Pole Pick 4150-630	Amount of snow covered unknown	5/1/13
Yockey 4150-260	Snow free	5/1/13
Yockey Creek 4150-265	Snow free	5/1/13
North Summit 42	Some of the road is snow free. Unknown if Buck Pass is passable.	5/14/13
Bear Mountain 42	Mostly snow free.	5/14/13
South Beaver 4225	Open and snow free.	4/1/13
Volstead/Blue Buck 4225-200	Snow free, repaired and open.	5/14/13
Cougar 4225-230	Snow free	5/1/13
Volstead 4225-400	Road is repaired and open.	5/14/13
Beaver Summit 4230	Snow cover unknown	5/14/13
Lightening Creek 4230	Snow cover unknown	5/14/13
Starvation Mtn. 4235	Snow cover unknown	5/14/13
Lightning Creek Ridge 4235-195	Snow cover unknown	5/14/13
Buttermilk Libby (Buttermilk portion) 43	Snow free, passable.	5/14/13
Buttermilk Libby (Libby portion) 43	Wash-out repaired and road re-opened.	5/14/13
Smith Canyon 4300-100	Snow free	5/1/13
Poorman Creek 4300-300	Snow on the road before Blackpine Lake. The road is closed to trailers, and not recommended for motorhomes. The road is very narrow with no turn around locations.	5/14/13
Buttermilk Butte 4300-400	Snow covered	5/1/13
West Fork Buttermilk Trailhead 4300-500	The road is blocked by snow.	5/1/13
West Fork Buttermilk 4300-550	CLOSED – the bridge is condemned and unsafe. The road is damaged near the bridge.	5/1/13
West Fork Buttermilk 4300-560	CLOSED – the bridge is condemned and unsafe. The access road is damaged near the bridge.	5/1/13
Buttermilk Creek 4300-600	Snow covered	5/1/13
Buttermilk Creek 4300-610	Snow covered	5/1/13
Newbutter 4300-800	Snow free	5/1/13
South Fork Gold Creek 4330	Snow free about 6 miles.	5/1/13

Road Name and Number	Condition	Updated
Rainy Creek Rd (up S. Fk. Gold Cr.) 4330-100	CLOSED from the intersection with South Fork Gold Creek Road #4330 (T31N, R21E, Sec. 35) to the terminus (T31N, R21E, Sec. 35)	5/1/13
North Fork Gold Creek 4340	Snow free to the pass.	5/6/13
Middle Fork Gold Creek 4340-100	Snow free	5/1/13
Foggy Dew 4340-200	Snow free	5/1/13
Twisp River 44	Snow free to the end of the road.	5/14/13
Lime Creek 4400-100	Snow free	5/1/13
Coal Rader/Thompson 4410	Patchy snow	5/1/13
Thompson Ridge 4410-100	Snow free	5/14/13
Thompson Ridge 4410-200	Snow free	5/14/13
Little Wolf Creek 4410-500	Snow free	5/6/13
Little Wolf Creek 4410-520	Snow free	5/6/13
Little Wolf Creek 4410-535	Snow free	5/6/13
Little Bridge Creek 4415	Snow free	5/6/13
Cow Creek 4415-040	Snow free	5/6/13
Deer Creek 4415-050	Snow free	5/6/13
Little Bridge Creek Saddle 4415-100	Snow free	5/6/13
Sheep Creek 4415-175	Snow free	5/6/13
Cabin Creek 4415-180	Snow free	5/6/13
South Twisp River 4420	Snow free and open.	5/6/13
West Twisp River 4430	Snow free and open.	5/6/13
War Creek Trailhead Road 4430-100	2011 Road has a washout. There is debris on the road. Please park on the side of lower Forest Road No. 4430.	5/1/13
Reynolds 4435	Snow free	5/13/13
Twisp River Road 4440	Snow free	5/13/13
East Chewuch 5010	Snow free	5/13/13
West Chewuch 51	Snow free.	5/3/13
Eightmile 5130	Snow free 18 miles to Honeymoon Campground, beyond has many down trees blocking the road.	5/20/16
Buck Lake 5130-100	Snow free	5/14/13
Buck Lake 5130-105	Snow free	5/20/16
Buck Lake 5130-115	Snow free	5/20/16
Buck Lake 5130-140	Snow free	5/20/16
Buck Mountain 5130-155	Snow free	5/20/16
Buck Mountain 5130-160	Snow free	5/20/16
Falls Creek 5140	Snow free	5/20/16
Doe Mountain 5140-100	Snow free	04/30/13
Chewuch 5160	Snow free to Lake Creek Road No. 5160-100.	4/30/13
Lake Creek 5160-100	Snow free.	4/30/13
Chewuch/30-Mile 5160-250	Snow free to the Firefighter Memorial. There is deep water running across the road at Kay Creek.	5/14/13
Cub Creek/Goat Creek 5200	Snow free	5/20/16
First Creek 5200-030	Snow free.	5/20/16
Fifth Creek 5200-150	Snow free	5/20/16
Goat Creek 5200-315	Access is blocked by snow.	5/3/13
Short Creek 5200-400	Access is blocked by snow.	5/3/13
Long Creek 5200-500	CLOSED. The road has washed out.	5/3/13
Ortell Creek 5220-200	Snow free	5/20/16
Goat Peak 5225-200	Snow covered before the trailhead.	5/13/13
Rendezvous Pass 5215	Snow free	5/13/13
Rendezvous/Fawn 5215-100	Snow free	5/3/13
Blackpine Basin 5225-600	Snow free	5/13/13
Sweetgrass Butte 5220-100	Snow covered	5/3/13
Cutthroat 5310-400	Road blocked by a tree.	5/20/16
Hart's Pass 5400	Bring extra spare tires as there is sharp slate rock on the road. Snow on the road for the last 4 miles before Hart's Pass.	5/20/16
Slate Peak 5400-600	Access is blocked by snow.	5/3/13
Chancellor 5400-700	Access is blocked by snow.	5/3/13
Newby Creek 9114-125	Snow free	5/3/13

CAMPGROUNDS: All campgrounds are on a first come, first served basis. Campers need to bring drinking water and pack out their trash at most campgrounds.

HIGHWAY 20 AREA CAMPGROUNDS		
Name	Campground Location	Current Status
<u>Early Winters</u>	Great views of Goat Wall. Town of Mazama nearby. Campsites on N and S sides of Highway 20. Maximum length is 32 feet.	5/20/13 Open. Water is on.
<u>Klipchuck</u>	Stream and good hiking opportunities nearby. Units combinable to accommodate groups. Rattlesnakes occasionally seen in the area. Maximum campsite length is 34 feet.	5/20/13 Open. Water is on.
<u>Lone Fir</u>	Near Cutthroat Lake trailhead. Timbered area. Short hiking trail from camp. Good overnight spot for bicyclists. Next campground westbound located at Ross Lake. Some sites handle up to 36-foot-long vehicles.	5/20/13 Open. Water is on.
LOST RIVER -- HART'S PASS AREA CAMPGROUNDS		
<u>Ballard</u>	Access to Robinson Creek, W. Fork Methow and Lost River/Monument Creek trails. Maximum length of sites is 28 feet.	5/20/13 Open. No drinking water.
<u>River Bend</u>	Access to Robinson Creek, W. Fork Methow and Lost River/Monument Creek trails. Maximum length of sites is 28 feet.	5/20/13 Open. No drinking water.
<u>Hart's Pass</u>	Closed by snow.	5/20/13
<u>Meadows</u>	Closed by snow.	5/20/13
8 MILE AREA CAMPGROUNDS		
<u>Buck Lake</u>	Small, quiet campground. Boat landing, adequate for small crafts. Lake stocked. Mountain biking opportunities. Maximum length of sites is 25 feet.	5/14/13 Open. No drinking water.
<u>Flat</u>	Easy access for trailers. Maximum length of sites is 36 feet.	5/20/13 Open. Water is on.
<u>Nice</u>	Near a beaver pond. Small campground good for small group camping. Maximum length of sites is 36 feet.	5/14/13 Open. No drinking water.
<u>Ruffed Grouse</u>	Small campground good for small group camping. Maximum length of sites is 35 feet.	5/14/13 Open. No drinking water.
<u>Honeymoon</u>	Small quaint camp located along Eightmile Creek and road No. 5130. Named after honeymoon spot of past forest ranger and wife. Maximum length of 22 feet.	5/14/13 Open. No drinking water.
CHEWUCH AREA CAMPGROUNDS		
<u>Falls Creek</u>	Swimming opportunities in summer. A quarter mile hike to scenic falls on Falls Creek. Maximum length of sites is 18 feet.	5/1/13 Open. No drinking water.
<u>Chewuch</u>	Small, remote campground surrounded by Ponderosa Pine. Walking and bicycling opportunities. Maximum length of some sites is 35 feet.	5/20/13 Open. Water is on.
<u>Camp 4</u>	Hiking and driving opportunities nearby. Some sites maximum length is 16 feet. Trailers not recommended.	5/14/13 Open. No drinking water.
LOUP LOUP AREA CAMPGROUNDS		
<u>JR</u>	Good place for rest and relaxation. Maximum length of sites is 25 feet.	5/20/13 Open. Water is on.
<u>Loup Loup</u>	Good location for large groups. Beautiful Western Larch trees. Access to mountain bike trails and scenic drives. Maximum length of sites is 36 feet.	5/14/13 Open. No drinking water.
GOLD CREEK AREA CAMPGROUNDS		
<u>Foggy Dew</u>	Hiking, mountain biking. Access to motorbike use area. Rattlesnakes occasionally seen in area. Maximum length of sites is 25 feet.	5/20/13 Open. No drinking water.

TWISP RIVER AREA CAMPGROUNDS		
Name	Campground Location	Current Status
<u>War Creek</u>	Trailheads nearby. Small campground located by the Twisp River. Hiking and bicycling opportunities. Rattlesnakes are occasionally seen near the area. Maximum length of sites is 25 feet.	5/20/13 Open. Water is on.
<u>Mystery</u>	Small quiet campground located by the Twisp River. Hiking and bicycling opportunities. Maximum length of sites is 30 feet.	5/9/13 Open. No drinking water.
<u>Poplar Flat</u>	Community kitchen, access to Twisp River Trail, other trailheads nearby. Good group campground and picnic area for up to 12 people. Wildlife viewing opportunities. Maximum length of sites is 30 feet.	5/20/13 Open. Water is on.
<u>South Creek</u>	Located by the Twisp River. Access to trailheads for day hikes. Bicycling and scenic drive opportunities. Maximum length of sites is 30 feet.	5/20/13 Open. No drinking water.
<u>Road's End</u>	Quaint, quiet campground at the end of Twisp River Road next to the Twisp River. Nearby trailhead. Maximum length of sites is 16 feet.	5/14/13 Open. No drinking water.
<u>Black Pine Lake</u>	Majestic landscape views. Boat launch, fishing, two floating docks. Interpretive accessible trail. Wildlife viewing opportunities. Picnic area for up to 12 people. Maximum length of sites is 30 feet.	5/20/13 Open. Water is on.
<u>Twisp River Horse Camp</u>	Access to nearby trails. Loading ramp, hitch rails and feed stations. Campground is intended for stock users. Maximum length of sites is 30 feet. Campground is maintained by Methow Valley Chapter of the Backcountry Horsemen of Washington.	5/14/13 Open. No drinking water.

METHOW VALLEY DISTRICT TRAILS:

Trail Name and Number	Current Status	Date
<u>Andrews Creek Trail 504</u>	Snow on the trail as elevation increases. Creek crossings are high.	5/14/13
<u>Bear Mountain 442</u>	Lots of down trees on the trail, mostly snow free. Some patchy snow on north facing areas at 5,000 feet elevation.	5/14/13
<u>Beaver Lake 356</u>	Closed by snow.	5/20/13
<u>Blue Lake Trail 314</u>	Closed by snow.	5/20/13
<u>Boundary Trail Irongate to Pasayten River 533</u>	The trail is snow covered.	5/20/13
<u>Boundary Trail Pasayten River to PCT 533</u>	Closed by snow.	5/20/13
<u>Burch Mountain 538</u>	Closed by snow.	5/20/13
<u>Buckskin Ridge 498</u>	Closed by snow.	5/20/13
<u>Cady Pass 475</u>	Access blocked by snow, closed to all motorized use (however, you may encounter vehicles permitted for work-related mining activities).	5/20/13
<u>Castle Pass 749</u>	Closed by snow.	5/20/13
<u>Cedar Creek Trail 476</u>	Snow free to the waterfalls with one 18-inch diameter tree on the trail that is passable to hikers. Lots of glacier lilies blooming along the trail.	5/14/13
<u>Chancellor/Canyon Creek Trail 754 Trail Closures</u>	Closed to stock from Boulder Creek to Mill Creek. Trail closed to hikers from Mill Creek to Cedar Crossing. Trail from Chancellor to Sky Pilot Pass not maintained, down trees block stock.	5/20/13
<u>Chewuch 510</u>	Amount of snow unknown.	5/20/13
<u>Coleman Ridge 505</u>	Trail not cleared of down trees since a 2003 wildfire. There are many, many trees on the trail.	5/20/13
<u>Copper Glance 519</u>	Closed by snow.	5/20/13
<u>Copper Pass 426</u>	Closed by snow.	5/20/13
<u>Crater Creek Trail 416</u>	Closed by snow.	5/20/13
<u>Crater Mountain 746</u>	Closed by snow	5/20/13
<u>Cutthroat Creek 400</u>	Snow covered.	5/20/13
<u>Crystal Lake 517</u>	Closed by snow. Many, many, many trees on the trail (the trail has not been cleared for 2 years).	5/14/13
<u>Dean Creek Trail 456</u>	Closed by snow. The trail has not been maintained for many, many years. Down trees make the trail impassable for stock and difficult for hikers.	5/20/13
<u>Devils Ridge Trail 753</u>	Closed by snow.	5/20/13
<u>Diamond Jack 514</u>	Closed by snow.	5/20/13
<u>Drake Creek 502A</u>	Closed by snow.	5/20/13
<u>Driveway Butte Trail 481</u>	Snow free for 3.5 miles.	5/20/13

Trail Name and Number	Current Status	Date
<u>Eagle Creek 410</u>	Closed by snow.	5/20/13
<u>Eagle Lakes 416</u>	Closed by snow.	5/20/13
<u>Early Winters Trail 522</u>	Not cleared of down trees.	5/20/13
<u>East Creek 756</u>	No bridge across Granite Creek. The trail has not been cleared of down trees beyond the first 3 miles for many years. There are many trees across the trail that makes travel difficult and impassable to stock. No current trail report.	5/20/13
<u>East Fork Buttermilk 420</u>	Closed by snow.	5/20/13
<u>East Fork Pasayten 451</u>	Closed by snow.	5/20/13
<u>Easy Pass 741</u>	Closed by snow.	5/20/13
<u>Falls Creek Trail 518</u>	Closed by snow.	5/20/13
<u>Ferguson Lake 474A</u>	Closed by snow.	5/20/13
<u>Fire Creek 561</u>	Trees have not been cleared from the trail since a 2003 wildfire, there are many, many trees down on the trail.	5/20/13
<u>Foggy Dew Creek Trail Section 1 417</u>	Closed by snow.	5/20/13
<u>Foggy Dew Creek Trail Section 2 417A</u>	Closed by snow.	5/20/13
<u>Fred's Lake Trail 474</u>	Closed by snow.	5/20/13
<u>Goat Peak Trail 457</u>	Closed by snow.	5/20/13
<u>Hidden Lakes 477</u>	Closed by snow.	5/20/13
<u>Holman Creek 472A</u>	Closed by snow.	5/20/13
<u>Jackita Ridge 738</u>	Closed by snow.	5/20/13
<u>Larch Creek/Billy Goat Pass 502</u>	Closed by snow.	5/20/13
<u>Lake Ann/Maple Pass Loop Trail 740</u>	Closed by snow.	5/20/13
<u>Lake Creek Trail 500</u>	Four mile hike to Black Lake is snow free. The trail was burned over in a 2003 wildfire creating frequent windfalls blocking stock and making it difficult for hiking. There are over 40 trees on the trail to the south end of the lake (half are greater than 6 inches in diameter). The trail has not been maintained beyond Black Lake since 2003.	5/14/13
<u>Libby Creek 415</u>	Closed by snow.	4/3/13
<u>Lightning Creek 425</u>	Snow free. The trail is in good condition with only a few trees on the trail.	5/14/13
<u>Lookout Mountain Trail 412</u>	Amount of snow unknown.	5/14/13
<u>Lone Fir 535</u>	There is snow on most of the trail, also down trees.	5/14/13
<u>Louis Lake 428</u>	Snow on the trail.	5/14/13
<u>Martin Creek 429</u>	Closed by snow.	5/20/13
<u>Middle Fork Beaver Creek 406</u>	Snow free. Lots of down trees on the trail. The creek covers the trail in places.	5/14/13
<u>Monument Creek Trail 484</u>	The first 4 miles to the wilderness boundary are snow free to Eureka Creek. There are seven trees down across the trail. Lots of Glacier lilies blooming. The bridge washed out at Eureka Creek, the trail beyond has not been cleared for about 30 years—it is difficult for hikers to follow.	5/14/13
<u>North Fork 20 Mile Trail 560</u>	South facing, could be snow free about 4 miles.	5/14/13
<u>North Creek 413</u>	Closed by snow.	5/20/13
<u>Oval Lakes 410A</u>	Closed by snow.	5/20/13
<u>Pacific Crest Trail (Bridge Creek to Stehekin) 2000</u>	Closed by snow.	5/20/13
<u>Pacific Crest Trail (Hwy 20 to Hart's Pass) 2000</u>	Closed by snow.	5/20/13
<u>Pacific Crest Trail (Hart's Pass to Canada)</u>	Hikers from PCT to Canada need a Canadian entry permit, stamped and signed by a Canadian Border Services Agent. There is currently no legal way to enter the US from Canada on the PCT 2000	5/20/13
<u>Peepsight 525</u>	Closed by snow.	5/20/13
<u>Rainy Lake Trail 310</u>	Closed by snow.	5/20/13
<u>Reynolds Creek 402</u>	Closed by snow.	5/20/13
<u>Robinson Pass 478</u>	The trail is snow free for about 3 miles then it is mostly snow covered.	5/14/13
<u>Rock Creek 473</u>	Closed by snow.	5/20/13

Trail Name and Number	Current Status	Date
<u>Scatter Creek 427</u>	Snow free for 2 miles then snow covered, trees not cleared from the trail.	5/14/13
<u>Slate Creek 414</u>	Snow free 3 miles then snow covered, trees not cleared from the trail.	5/14/13
<u>South Creek Trail 401</u>	Snow free 3.5 miles then snow covered, trees not cleared from the trail.	5/14/13
<u>Stub Creek/Deception Pass 458</u>	Closed by snow.	5/20/13
<u>Sunrise Lake 417.2</u>	Closed by snow.	5/20/13
<u>Tatoosh Buttes 485</u>	Closed by snow.	5/20/13
<u>Tungsten 534</u>	Closed by snow.	5/20/13
<u>Twisp Pass Trail 432</u>	Closed by snow.	5/20/13
<u>Twisp River Trail 440</u>	Snow free from Buttermilk Sno-Park to Scatter Creek.	5/14/13
<u>War Creek 408</u>	Closed by snow.	5/20/13
<u>Washington Pass Overlook</u>	Closed by snow. This trailhead does not require a parking pass.	5/20/13
<u>West Fork Buttermilk 411</u>	Closed by snow.	5/20/13
<u>West Fork Methow Trail 480</u>	Snow free for 5 miles. The first 4 miles has few down trees, but there are more down trees beyond the 5 mile point. The trail was brushed out last year so it is not too brushy at this time	5/14/13
<u>West Fork Pasayten 472</u>	Closed by snow.	5/20/13
<u>Williams Creek 407</u>	Closed by snow.	5/20/13
<u>Wolf Creek Trail 527</u>	Snow free for the first 4 miles but there are many trees on the trail.	5/14/13

PRESCRIBED BURNING: Forest Service fire managers are finishing spring prescribed burning on the Methow Valley District. Weather permitting, burning could continue through mid-June. Fuels reduction treatments are planned for lower elevation areas such as units in the Fawn Creek and Little Bridge Creek areas. Spring-time burning is an ideal way for Forest Service managers to decrease naturally-accumulated fuels and other woody debris from various thinning treatments or timber harvests.

FOREST SERVICE PROPOSES REPLANTING WHITEBARK PINE ON QUARTZ

MOUNTAIN: Methow Valley Ranger District is seeking comments on a proposal to plant about 1,000 whitebark pine seedlings in a 4-acre area on Quartz Mountain, north of Mazama, in the Pasayten Wilderness this September. Much of the whitebark pine habitat in the area was burned by wildfires in 2002 and replanting whitebark pine seedlings would improve the potential seed source for future regeneration.

A crew of 10 workers would bring in seedlings, tools and overnight equipment on pack stock. Planting would take about two days, with one or two nights spent at an established campsite about three miles south of the US/Canada border.

Whitebark pine ecosystems maintain watershed quality by stabilizing soils and providing shade that slows spring snow melt. Furthermore, the seeds of whitebark pine are an important food source for Clark's nutcrackers, pine squirrels, grizzly and black bears, as well as many other birds and mammals.

This Project will be analyzed in an environmental assessment, consistent with the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act. Public involvement is an important part of the process.

If you have any questions, or would like more information about this project, contact Project Leader Connie Mehmel at 509-664-9213. Feedback on the project can also be sent to the Methow Valley Ranger District Attention: Quartz Mountain Whitebark Pine Planting, 24 West Chewuch Road Winthrop, Washington, 98862 or emailed to comments-pacificnorthwest-okanogan-methowvalley@fs.fed.us.

NACHES RANGER DISTRICT

The office phone number is (509) 653-1401.

OFFICE HOURS: The Naches Ranger Station foyer is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week to make handouts and forest information available to the public during non-office hours. Office hours are Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The office is closed daily for lunch from 12:00 to 12:30 p.m. No permit sales after 4 p.m.

ROADS: Expect to encounter snow conditions on forest roads. Some higher elevation roads may be a mix of mud and snow; please do not drive on these roads until they dry out. Please comply with road use signs. Forest visitors can drive:

- 9 miles on Little Naches Road No. 1900
- 5 miles on FS Road No. 1709
- 8 miles on FS Road No. 1705
- 7 miles on FS Road No. 1504
- 3 miles on FS Road No. 1503
- 13 miles on Rattlesnake/FS Road No. 1500
- 6 miles on Bethel Ridge/FS Road No. 1500

Be prepared for soft, wet and muddy road conditions. That’s when a person has to be careful turning their vehicles around to avoid getting stuck in the mud or snow.

Also be prepared for sudden weather changes when recreating in the national forest. Before traveling to the woods, always leave a detailed written trip itinerary with a responsible family member or friend. There is still snow and winter conditions in the mountains.

FLOOD DAMAGED ROADS THAT REMAIN CLOSED:

Road Name and Number	Flood Damaged Roads that are CLOSED
Little Rattlesnake Road No. 1501	Closed to all motorized traffic for 5.1 miles from the junction of Forest Road No. 1500/1501 (T15N, R15E, Sec. 10) to the junction of Forest Road No. 1501 and Forest Road No. 1503 (T15N, R14E, Sec. 24). Estimated construction date 2013-2014.
Clover Way Road No. 1605	Closed to all motorized traffic for 3 miles from the junction of Forest Road No. 1600/1605 (T16N, R14E, Sec. 16) to the junction of Forest Road No. 1605-244 (T15N, R14E, Sec. 17). Estimated construction date 2013-2014.
Rock Creek Road No. 1702	The first 0.3 miles are open to local residents only. Closed to the public from the junction with State Route 410 (T16N, R15E, Sec. 17) to the junction with Forest Road No. 1720 (T16N, R15E, Sec. 04). Estimated construction date 2013-2014.
Gold Creek Road No. 1703	Closed to all motorized traffic for 5.9 miles from State Route 410 (T17N, R14E, Sec. 36) to the end of Forest Road No. 1703 (T17N, R14E, Sec. 24) junction with Forest Road No. 1705. Estimated construction date 2013-2014.
Milk Creek Road No. 1708	Closed to all motorized traffic for 6.7 miles from the junction of Forest Road No. 1708 and State Route 410 (T17N, R14E, Sec. 09) to the junction with Forest Road 1708-590 (T17N, R15E, Sec. 06). Estimated construction date is sometime during 2013-2014.

MOTORIZED TRAILS: Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest managers have implemented a seasonal closure on Naches Ranger District motorized trails from April 1 until June 15 to protect natural resources, minimize damage to trails and maintain quality trail systems.

They have implemented similar temporary closures the past two years in wet spring months and will open trails earlier if drier conditions warrant it. This seasonal restriction apply to all trails with any type of motorized designation and includes all trail users, motorized or non-motorized.

Selected closure dates are flexible and based on weather and existing trail conditions. Trails in different areas may open earlier or later than June 15. The Forest Service and volunteer partners will make every effort to keep trails cleared of logs and other forest debris so trail systems can be opened as soon as they dry out.

Information on the closure will be made available through signs on major roads, news releases, radio announcements, and website notices. These same communication methods will be used to inform the public when trails open.

Naches Ranger District recreation managers will continue to assess the effectiveness of the spring motorized trail closure with regard to the intent of protecting trails and reducing annual maintenance needs.

To check out current conditions at White Pass or any of the other state mountain passes go to <http://www.Wsdot.com/traffic/passes> . Washington Trails Association web site (www.wta.org) is also an excellent site for obtaining updates on current trail conditions.

TRAILS: Expect to encounter snowy conditions on all district trails. Be prepared for sudden weather changes when recreating in the national forest. Before recreating in the national forest, always leave a detailed written trip itinerary with a responsible family member or friend.

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WOODCUTTING: The woodcutting season on the Naches Ranger District started on May 1, 2013. Woodcutting permits cost \$5 per cord with a four cord minimum purchase on each permit that is issued, with up to a maximum of 12 cords for the season. Woodcutting load tickets and permits expire at the end of the 2013 woodcutting season. Permits are issued between 8 a.m. to noon and from 12:30 p.m. till 4 p.m. No permit sales after 4 p.m.

SPRING PRESCRIBED BURNING: Weather permitting, burning could begin at the end of May and continue through mid-June. Fuels reduction treatments are planned for lower elevation areas in the Wildcat drainage, Bald Mountain and the Rattlesnake drainage.

Spring-time burning is an ideal way for Forest Service managers to decrease naturally-accumulated fuels and other woody debris from various thinning treatments or timber harvests.

All Okanogan-Wenatchee N.F. controlled burns are weather-dependent and fire specialists will cease burning as soon as possible if objectives are not being met or weather conditions are unfavorable. Their primary concerns include favorable winds that can minimize smoke impacts to public health and the risk of fire escape.

The Washington State Department of Natural Resources regulates smoke management and must approve all controlled burns on national forests within the state.

MUSHROOM PERMITS: Commercial mushroom permits and commercial mushroom harvesting information packets are available at the Naches Ranger Station. Please follow the rules and regulations stated on the mushroom permit and harvest mushrooms only at locations on the mushroom maps included in the packet.

CAMPGROUNDS:

Chinook Pass /State Route 410 Campgrounds	Opening Date	Camp Fee	Extra Vehicle Fee
American Forks	May 10	\$12	\$6
Bumping Lake - Upper	May 23		
Bumping Lake - Lower	May 23		
Cedar Springs	May 10	\$16	\$8
Cottonwood	May 10	\$16	\$8
Cougar Flat	CLOSED due to flood damage		
Crow Creek	May 23	\$10	\$5
Halfway Flat	May 20	\$10	\$5
Halfway Flat - Dispersed	May 20	\$8	\$8
Hell's Crossing ~ East	May 23		
Hell's Crossing ~ West	May 23		
Kaner Flat	May 23	\$12	\$5
Little Naches	May 10	\$14	\$7
Lodgepole	May 23		
Pleasant Valley	May 23		
Sawmill Flat	May 10	\$18	\$9
Soda Springs	May 23		
U.S. Forest Service dispersed camping areas			
Long Meadows, Longmire	May 20	\$5	\$5
Lost Meadows, Ponderosa Camp	May 20	\$5	\$5

White Pass / U.S. Highway 12 Campgrounds	Opening Date	Camp Fee	Extra Vehicle Fee
Clear Lake / North	May 20	\$10	\$5
Clear Lake / South	May 20	\$10	\$5
Dog Lake	CLOSED due to snow		
Hause Creek - Water Line Broke	CLOSED		
Indian Creek	May 10	\$20	\$10
Indian Creek Dispersed Rec. Area	May 20	\$8	\$8
Peninsula	May 20	\$8	\$8
White Pass/ Leech Lake	CLOSED		
Willows	May 10	\$14	\$ 7
Windy Point	May 10	\$14	\$ 7

White Pass / U.S. Highway 12 Campgrounds	Opening Date	Camp Fee	Extra Vehicle Fee
US. Forest Service Dispersed Camping Areas			
South Fork Bay	May 23		
South Fork Bay	May 23	\$8	\$8
South Fork Tieton, Bake Oven	May 20	\$8	\$8
Jayhawk, Minnie Meadows	May 20	\$8	\$8
Tieton Pond	May 20	\$8	\$8
F.S. - Day Use Sites			
Boulder Cave	May 23		
Bumping Lake Picnic Area	May 23		
Clear Lake	May 23		
Mather Memorial	May 23		
F.S. - Boat Launches			
Bumping Lake	May 23		
Clear Lake	May 23		
Horseshoe Cove	May 23		

REMEMBER—Washington State Discover passes are not accepted on the national forest.

GROUP RESERVATION SITES: Reservations for these sites need to be made through the National Recreation Reservation Service through their toll free number 877-444-6777 or www.recreation.gov website.

Area	Group Reservation Sites	Daily Fee	Registration Fee
State Route 410 Chinook Pass	American Ridge Lodge	\$100	\$10
	American River Guard Station	\$50	\$10
	Indian Flat	\$100	\$10
	Kaner Flat	\$60	\$10
	Pine Needle	\$50	\$10
	Salmon Cove	\$50	\$10
U.S. Hwy. 12 White Pass	Clear Lake North	\$60	\$10
	South Fork	\$60	\$10

TONASKET RANGER DISTRICT

The office phone number is **(509) 486-2186**.

OFFICE HOURS: Monday through Friday, 7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. During non-business hours, free forest information is available in the cabinets outside the main entrance to the district office.

WOODCUTTING: Woodcutting permits are available at the Tonasket and Methow Valley Ranger District offices and the Okanogan Valley office from 8 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. Monday through Friday. Vendors selling woodcutting permits include The Junction in Tonasket, Prince’s Department Store in Oroville and the Conconully General Store in Conconully. These permits may be used for woodcutting only on the Tonasket and Methow Valley Ranger Districts. Although permits are available, some forest roads remain closed to vehicle access at this time.

TRAILS: Most trails on the Tonasket Ranger District remain snow covered. Trails that are snow free include Whistler Canyon, Big Tree, Strawberry, and Beaver Lake. Trailhead registration and Northwest Forest Passes are required at Long Swamp, Fourteen Mile, Irongate, and Chewuch trailheads. Day and annual passes are available at ranger district offices or online at <http://www.discovernw.org/>. Senior passes and Interagency passes are also honored at trailheads and are available for purchase at the ranger station.

ROADS: Some forest roads are soft and muddy; please do not drive on them until they have dried out. If you must drive on them, please use caution. Be sure to look at your free Okanogan National Forest Travel Plan Map for more information (available at Forest offices or online at http://www.fs.usda.gov/Internet/FSE_DOCUMENTS/stelprdb5306489.pdf). For current road conditions please call the Tonasket Ranger District at 509-486-2186.

Road Name and Number	Condition
Aeneas 30	Road No. 3000 Open Road No. 3000-290 and No. 285 Open Road No. 3000-530 Open
Barnell Meadows 3000-100	Seasonal closure October 1 – June 15
Peony Creek 3010-300	Open
Sweat Creek 3100	Open
Frosty Creek 3100-050/200	Open
Mount Annie 3100-300	Open. Be aware the roadway is rutted due to a washout.
Tratnick Grade 3120	Open
Gardner Creek 3125	Open
North Cape LaBelle	Open
Cape LaBelle	Closed, due to washout on county portion of road.
Bonaparte Lake to Beaver Lake 32	Road No. 3200 Open Road No. 3200-030 Open Road No. 3200-050 Open
Henderson Creek/Mill Creek 3230	Road No. 3230 Open Road No. 3230-090 Open
Phoebe Mountain (Burge Mtn.) 3235	Road No. 3235 Open Road No. 3235-020 Open
Cumberland Mtn. 3240	Road No. 3240 Open Road No. 3240-020 Open
Myers Creek 3300	Road No. 3300 Open Road No. 3300-040 Open
Chesaw 3400	Open
Summit Lake Road 3525	Open. Roads No. 3525-250 and 255 Open
Nicholson Creek 3575	Open. Only four wheel drive or high clearance vehicles are advised on road No. 3575-120.
Middle Salmon - Boulder Creek 37	Open
North Fork Salmon Creek 38	Road No. 3800 Open. The road is narrow where debris flow was over the roadway (above Kerr Campground), there is water on the road.
Ray Road/Muckamuck 3800-025	Passable only to high clearance vehicles.
Cazadero 3800-365	Open
FS Road 3810	Open
Lone Frank 3820	Not advised for two-wheel-drive vehicles.
Iron Gate 3900-500	Open. Not recommended for two-wheel-drive vehicles. High clearance vehicles advised. Snow in places.
Buck Pass 4200	Open. Snow in places.

CAMPGROUNDS: All campgrounds are now open. Water systems have been turned on and garbage service is available. The following fees for campgrounds on the Tonasket Ranger District are in affect for the 2013 camping season.

Open campgrounds and current fees:

Bonaparte Lake	\$12 per day and \$5 for each additional vehicle
Lost Lake	\$12 per day and \$5 for each additional vehicle
Beth Lake	\$ 8 per day and \$5 for each additional vehicle
Beaver Lake	\$ 8 per day and \$5 for each additional vehicle
Sugarloaf	\$ 8 per day and \$5 for each additional vehicle
Cottonwood	\$ 8 per day and \$5 for each additional vehicle
Oriole	\$ 8 per day and \$5 for each additional vehicle
Kerr	\$ 8 per day and \$5 for each additional vehicle
Salmon Meadows	\$ 8 per day and \$5 for each additional vehicle

The group site at Lost Lake Campground is available by reservation only. This site is generally booked far in advance, so make reservations early. Please go online to www.recreation.gov or call the National Recreation Reservation Service at 1-877-444-6777 to make reservations.

WENATCHEE RIVER RANGER DISTRICT

The office phone number is (509) 548-2550.

WINTER OFFICE HOURS UNTIL JUNE 15: Office hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. The newly remodeled front office at the Leavenworth Ranger Station is now open. However, public restrooms are no longer available. The Lake Wenatchee Ranger Station is not open for visitor services.

WINTER STORM DEBRIS: A severe localized snow/ice storm occurred in the Lake Wenatchee/Plain area just before Christmas 2012. Numerous trees are still down across some trails and forest roads. Many hazards still exist, so please use caution.

SPRING ROAD AND TRAIL OPENINGS DELAYED: Two natural events in 2012 affected roads and trails on the Wenatchee River Ranger District. In September 2012, wildfires burned much of Mission Creek and Eightmile Creek up the Icicle Valley leaving trees across trails and a landscape prone to flash flooding. In December 2012, a winter storm in the Lake Wenatchee area caused many trees to fall across roads and trails. Both of these events will delay road and trail openings this spring and summer.

- The area closure for the **Peavine and Poison** fires in Mission Creek has been lifted with the warning that post fire hazards, such as falling trees, burned out root holes which can cause walking hazards and flooding potential exist. However, the Mission Creek Road No. 7100 will remain closed to all motorized vehicles from the Forest Boundary to the Liberty Beehive Road.
- Installation of water dips to protect the **Mission Creek Road** from high water were installed last fall, but further work is required to protect sections of the road from washing out. Additionally, wildfire in parts of Mission Creek left areas susceptible to erosion from high intensity rain events which could quickly produce dangerous flash floods in tributaries and reaches of Mission Creek.
- **Mission Creek Road** will remain closed to motorized traffic for public safety until an updated burn severity assessment can be made to determine if flash flood potential exists due to the 2012 wildfires. While non-motorized users will be allowed to use the road, they are advised to move to higher ground if thunderstorms are forecasted or occur. **Sand Creek Trailhead and trails** at the lower end of Mission Creek are open as normal.

- **Devils Gulch Trail No. 1220** and **Mission Ridge Trail No. 1201** located in the Mission Creek area are currently impassable due to large numbers of trees fallen across the trails. These trails will be cleared as crews get to them this spring.
- In the Icicle Drainage outside Leavenworth, **Eightmile Trail No. 1554** is currently impassable due to many trees across the trail. **Eightmile Road No. 7601** will remain closed to motorized vehicles until the trail is cleared or until the road is free of snow providing access to the Stuart Lake Trailhead.
- In the Lake Wenatchee area, **South Shore Road No. 6601** is closed at the end of the County Road due to trees fallen over the road. This road accesses Hidden Lake Trailhead and Glacier View Campground. **Hidden Lake Trail** is also impassable due to the large number of trees across the trail. This road will be opened after a commercial logger removes the logs from the road and the trail will be opened when crews cut their way through.
- **Little Wenatchee Road No. 6500** is closed to motorized vehicles due many trees over the road. The road will be opened when a commercial logger removes trees from the road sometime in June.

ROADS: Please check the district website for information on current road conditions. Winter conditions exist across all upper elevation areas of the district. Most high elevation district roads remain closed until snow melts off them and road surfaces dry out.

- **Chiwawa Road No. 6200** is closed just beyond Schaefer Creek Campground.
- **White River Road No. 6400** is open to White River Falls Campground.
- **Little Wenatchee Road No. 6500** is closed to motorized vehicles due to large amounts of trees fallen over the road. The road will be opened when a commercial logger removes trees from the road sometime in June.
- **Smithbrook/Rainy Creek Road No. 6700** is closed until the snow melts.
- **Mission Creek Road No. 7100** is closed due to flood damage from the junction of Number Two Canyon Road No. 7101 to the junction with Beehive Road No. 9712. The road is unsafe for travel.
 - A new gate has been installed above the junction of **Mission Creek Road No. 7104** and **Sand Creek Road No. 7104** which closes the Mission Creek Road to motorized 4-wheeled traffic. This closure only affects the portion of the road located on the national forest. The road remains open to motorcycles, snowmobiles, mountain bikes, stock animals, and hikers. The closure is necessary to maintain the newly constructed drainage dips while they are still soft from construction and rain, and to prevent additional road damage.
- **No. 2 Canyon Road** is open.
- **Tip Top Road No. 7202** is impassable one mile from the junction of Camas Creek Road No. 7200 due to road damage.
- **Scotty Creek Road No. 7324** is closed to wheeled motor vehicles 3.5 miles north of Blewett Pass due to road damage. Bridge construction has begun just off of Highway 97, on the north side, so the areas above the bridge may only be accessed from the other side of the Old Blewett Highway.
- **Walker Canyon Road No. 7510** is closed to wheeled motor vehicles due to a mudslide in Clark Canyon.
- **Eightmile Road No. 7601** will remain closed to motorized vehicles until the trail is cleared or until the road is free of snow.
- **Van Creek Road No. 7520** is open.
- **Beehive Road No. 9712** is open.
- **Icicle Creek Road** is open up to the end all the way to Icicle Creek Trailhead.

CAMPGROUNDS: Many district campgrounds are still closed for the season. Eightmile, Bridge Creek, Lower Johnny, Upper Johnny, Tumwater, Ida Creek, Chatter Creek, Rock Island, and Black Pine Horse Camp are open. Campgrounds in the Chiwawa drainage should open by Memorial Day weekend. Chiwawa Road is barracked just beyond Schaefer Creek Campground due to road damage.

Only 12 campsites are open at Nason Creek Campground; the remainder of the campsite is closed due to damage sustained this winter. Repairs are ongoing. Goose Creek Campground is open. All campgrounds are first come, first serve, with the exception of the group sites where reservations are required.

GROUP CAMPSITES: To reserve one of the large group sites at Eightmile, Bridge Creek, Tumwater, and Grouse Creek Campgrounds, please call the National Reservation line at 1-877-444-6777 or via the Internet at www.recreation.gov. Reservations may be made up to one year in advance.

WILDFLOWERS: Visitors to Ski Hill in Leavenworth and other lower elevation areas are reporting seeing a variety of wildflowers blooming. As snow continues to melt and warmer weather occurs, more of these springtime jewels will appear on the hillsides.

MUSHROOMS: There are reports of some mushrooms growing in the Blewett Pass corridor.

TRAILS: Most district trails are still at least partially snow covered, so be prepared for winter conditions when accessing these trails. Lower elevation trails, such as Ski Hill, Penstock and the Interpretive Trail at the Leavenworth National Fish Hatchery are snow free. The first two miles of Icicle Ridge Trail, to the saddle area, are snow free. Icicle Gorge Trail is open and a beautiful hike this time of year.

Stuart-Colchuck Trail is snow free 2.5 miles to the trail junction for Stuart Lake and Colchuck Lake; there are some snow patches beyond that point. Eightmile Lake Trail is impassable due to many trees across the last two miles of the trail.

RECREATION PASSES: Passes are required at the following trailheads on the Wenatchee River Ranger District. This list includes only the trailhead names and does not show each individual trail.

Basalt Ridge	Hidden Lake *	Red Hill *
Buck Creek (Trinity)	Ingalls Creek *	Rock Creek
Blackpine	Icicle Creek	Round Mountain
Chiwaukum Creek	Icicle Gorge*	Snow Lakes*
Devil's Gulch (Lower) *	Jack/Trout	Stuart Lake*
Dirtyface	Little Wenatchee*	Twin Lakes
Eightmile*	Lower Chiwawa	White River
Estes Butte	Nason Ridge	

Day passes can also be purchased during the summer months from fee tubes at the trailheads noted with * above.

Recreation passes cost \$5 per vehicle per day or \$30 for an annual **Northwest Forest Pass**. Passes are available locally at the ranger district office, Leavenworth 76 gas stations (both Highway 2 and Icicle Junction), Der Sportsman, Sleeping Lady Gift Shop, Pioneer Market in Cashmere, Midway Village, Parkside Grocery, and Plain Hardware in the Lake Wenatchee area. **Interagency Passes** are also honored at trailheads and are available for purchase at the ranger district office.

ENCHANTMENT PERMITS: Overnight Wilderness permits are required from June 15 to October 15 for the Enchantment Area of the Alpine Lakes Wilderness. Applications for the 2013 Enchantment Lottery were held on www.Recreation.gov from February 15 through March 2, 2013. After April 1, those not successful in the lottery can begin looking for unreserved open dates. Cancellations do occur, so it is advised to keep checking www.recreation.gov throughout the season.

ENCHANTMENT PERMIT AREA CHANGES: New in 2013, permit holders must print Enchantment permits online through recreation.gov; you no longer need to pick up your permit at the ranger station. Permit holders will be able to print their permit online up to 14 days prior to their trip start date. The group leader must sign and carry their permit, along with valid photo identification, for the duration of their trip. Permit holders must be prepared to present their permit and ID to a Forest Officer upon request. Some of the other changes include:

- Once a Permit Reservation is made, no changes may be made to the zone for which the permit is valid.
- Once a Permit Reservation is made, no changes may be made to the entry date.
- Once a permit is **printed**, no changes can be made to the permit. Do not print your permit until you are certain you do not want to add group members or extend the duration of your trip.
- Eight days or more prior to the entry date, days may be added to the trip by changing the exit date at the rate of \$5/person/day. Maximum number of days that can be reserved is 14.
- Eight days or more prior to the entry date, group size may be increased, up to the limit of eight total persons per group, at the rate of \$5/person/day.
- No changes will be allowed within seven days of the trip's start date.

Complete changes to the 2013 Enchantment Permit Process can be viewed online at <http://go.usa.gov/49QT> , click on the link under item 1(e).

