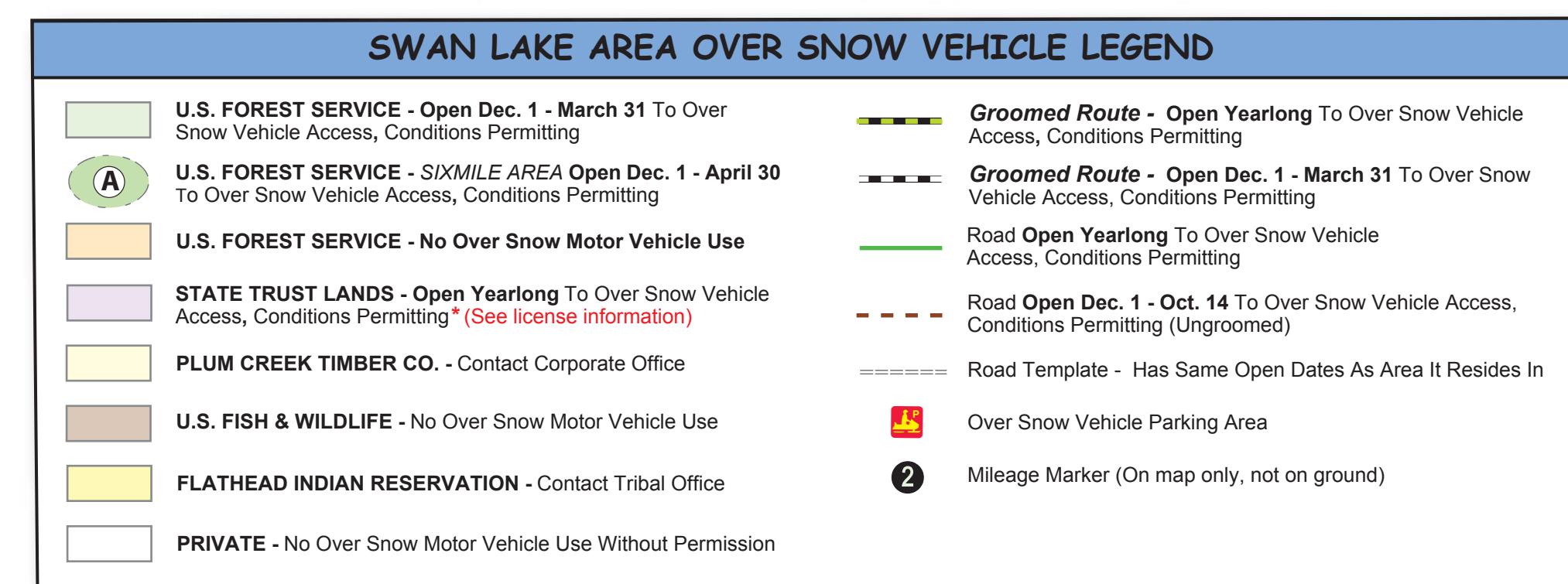


## SWAN LAKE AREA



IT IS UNLAWFUL TO SNOWMOBILE ON PLOWED ROADS OR ANY ROAD DRIVEABLE BY CONVENTIONAL MOTORIZED VEHICLES, REGARDLESS OF THE TRAVEL DESIGNATION DISPLAYED ON THIS MAP



IT IS RECOGNIZED THAT THERE ARE INHERENT RISKS TO THE SPORT OF SNOWMOBILING AND THE PRUDENT SNOWMOBILER SHOULD BE AWARE OF SUCH RISKS AND TAKE NECESSARY PRECAUTIONS.

### AVALANCHE TIPS

Avoid mountainous terrain after heavy falls or prolonged periods of high winds.

Avoid crossing steep side hills and entering narrow steeply sided canyons.

Stay on the windblown side of ridges.

**DANGER:** Avalanches may occur at any time during the winter. Information on avalanche conditions is available by calling local Forest Service offices or the:

GLACIER NATIONAL PARK AVAHLANCE CENTER: (406) 257-8402 www.glacieravalanche.org

### AVALANCHE SURVIVAL

If You Are Caught In An Avalanche:

- Discard all equipment.
- Get away from the snowmobile.

- Move slowly using rolling motions. Try to stay on top.

- Before coming to a stop, get your hands in front of your face and try to make an air space in the snow as you are coming to a stop.

- Try to remain calm.

If You Are The Survivor:

- Mark the place where you last saw the victim.
- Search for the victim directly downstream below the last seen area. If he is not on the surface, scuff or probe the snow with a ski pole or stick.

- You are the victim's best hope for survival.

- Do not desert him and go for help unless help is only a few minutes away. Remember, you must consider not only the time required for you to get help, but time for help to return. After one-half hour, the buried victim has only 50 percent chance of surviving.

First Aid:

- Treat for suffocation and shock.

### MONTANA SNOWMOBILE LAW

20-84. M.C.A. Snowmobiler's assumption of responsibility -- duties

(1) A snowmobiler shall operate a snowmobile at all times in a manner that avoids injury to self and others and must be aware of the inherent risks in the sport of snowmobiling.

(2) A snowmobiler shall:

- (a) know the range of the snowmobiler's ability and snowmobile safety within the limits of that ability and the snowmobiler's equipment so as to negotiate any section of terrain or snowmobile route safely and without injury or damage to the snowmobile; most snowmobilers' ability may vary because of terrain or trail changes caused by weather, grooming changes, or snowmobile use.

- (b) maintain control of speed and course at all times while snowmobiling so as to prevent injury to self and others.

- (c) heed all posted warnings; and

- (d) refrain from acting in a manner that may cause damage to the injured party.

(3) A snowmobiler shall accept all legal responsibility or injury or damage of any kind to the extent that the injury or damage results from risks inherent in the sport of snowmobiling. Risks inherent in the sport of snowmobiling are:

- (a) variations in terrain, including surface or subsurface snow or ice conditions naturally occurring or resulting from weather changes, snowmobile use, or grooming or snowmobiling operations;

- (b) hazards in the snow or ice caused by limited snowfall, melting, wind erosion, snowmobile action, grooming, or unconsolidated base;

- (c) rocks, trees, or other forms of forest growth or debris;

- (d) clearly visible or plainly marked improvements or trail maintenance equipment; and

- (e) avalanches.

(4) The manufacturer of the selected snowmobile, a parts dealer, or a service station based upon the design or manufacture of snowmobile equipment or products or safety equipment used incidental to the operation of a snowmobile.

History: En. Sec. 4, Ch. 440, L. 1987; and, Sec. 11, Ch. 351, L. 1993; and, Sec. 4, Ch. 145, L. 1999.

### SWAN LAKE AREA TRAILS

MARKER	MILEAGE	REMARKS
6-9	Rd #4385, Crane Mt. Rd	
2-3	Rd #4384, Crane Mt. Rd	
2-5	3.5 Rd #9714, Yew Cr. Road	
2-6	12.8 Rd #9714, Yew Cr. Rd	
3-4	3.0 Old Crane Mt. Road	
5-6	9.3 Rd #9714, Yew Cr. Rd	
6-7	1.6 Rd #10229, Porcupine Cr. Rd	
6-8	2.7 Rd #10229, Porcupine Cr. Rd	
7-9	10.4 Rd #10229, Porcupine Cr. Rd	

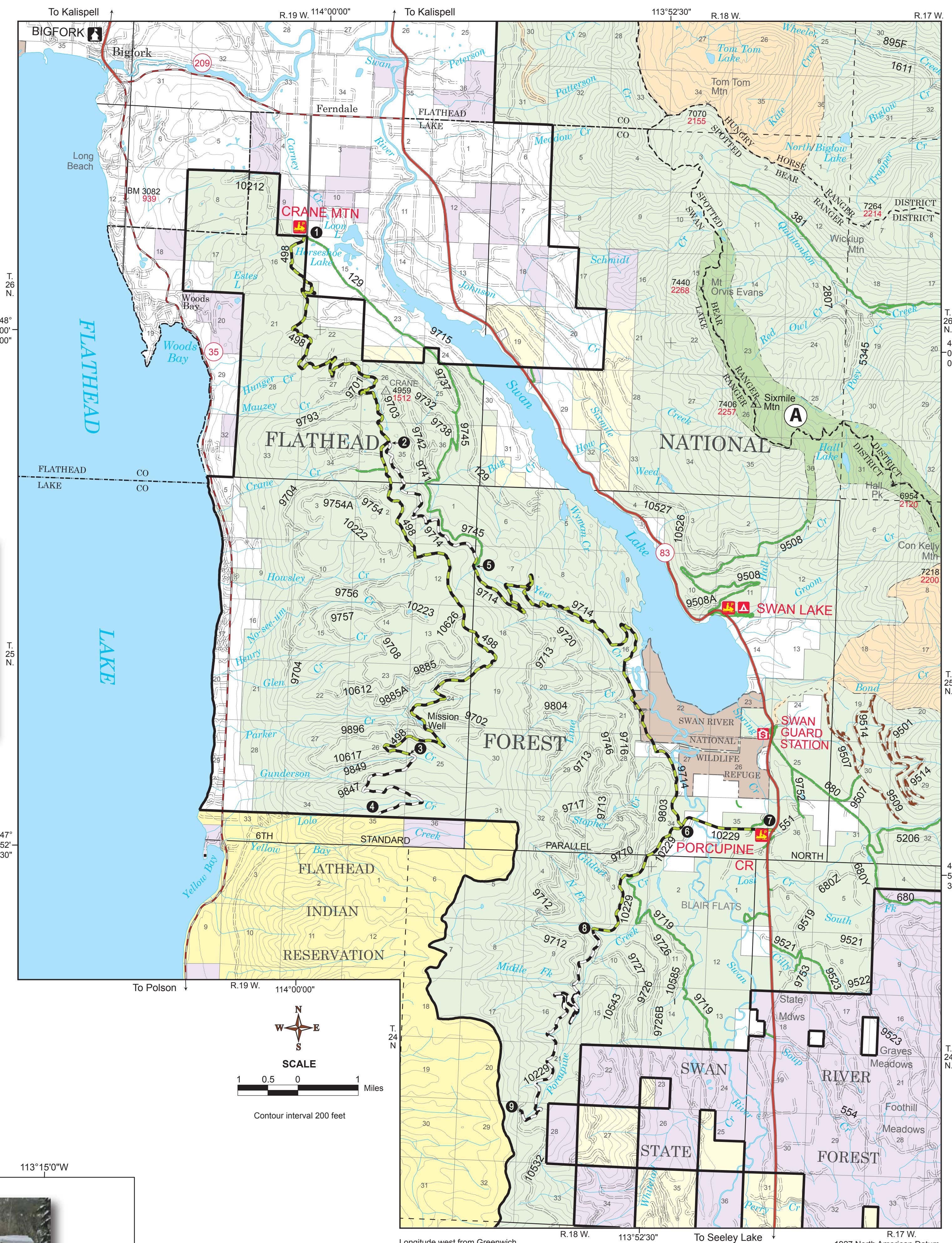
### AREA SNOWMOBILE CLUBS

**MONTANA SNOWMOBILE ASSOCIATION**  
http://www.M-S-A.org

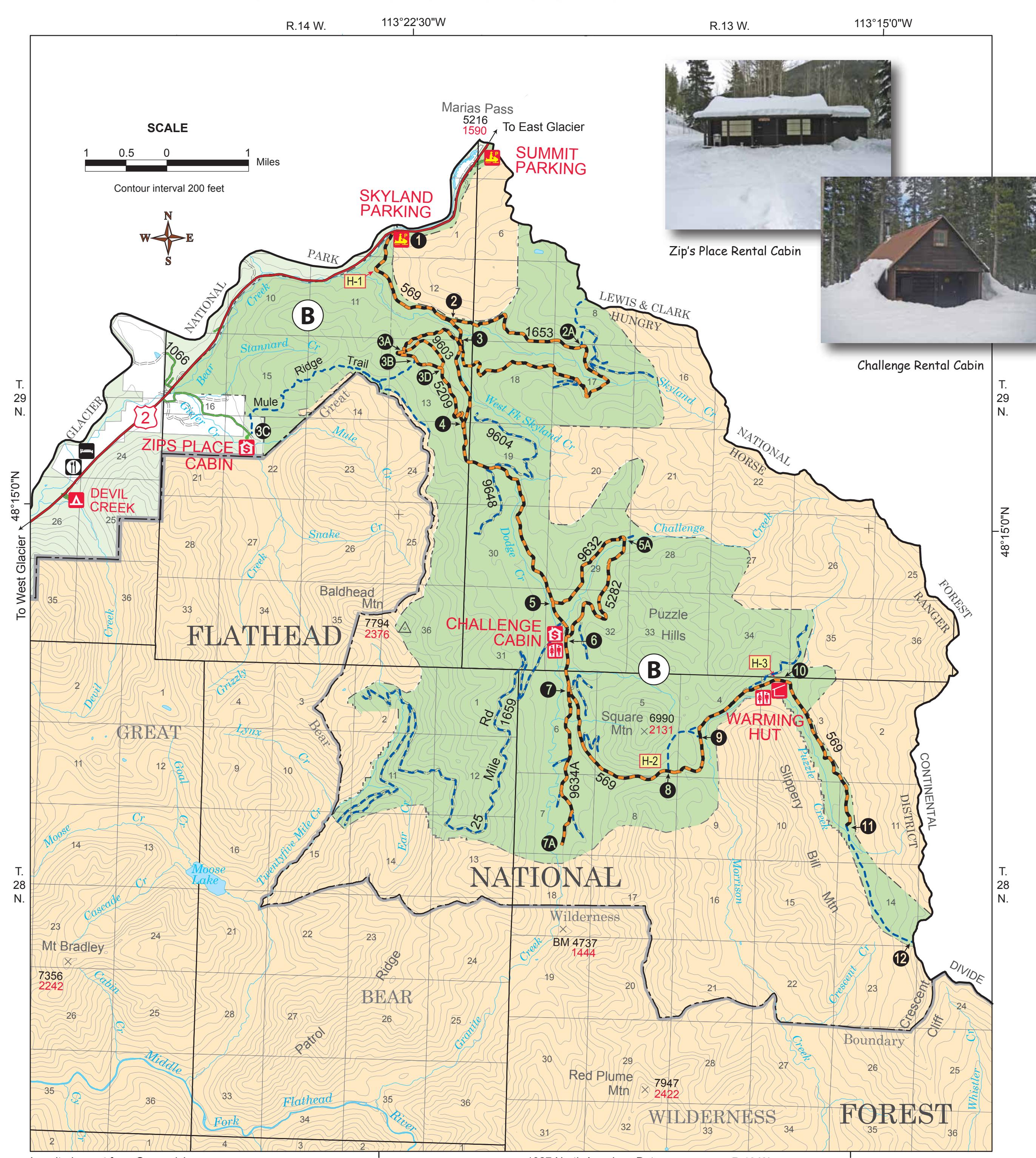
**FLATHEAD SNOWMOBILE ASSOCIATION**  
PO. Box 1221  
Whitefish, MT 59937  
Email Address: robbie@avid-products.com

**SUMMIT SNOWGOERS**  
P.O. Box 301  
Cut Bank, MT 59427  
(406) 873-5477

Grooming may cease due to snow and avalanche conditions, and logging operations.



## SKYLAND AREA



### SKYLAND AREA TRAILS

SIGN #	TRAIL NAME	MILEAGE	Rd #
1-2	Skyland Road	1.7	569
2-2A	E. Fk. Loop Road	2.4	1853
2-2A-3	Skyland Road	5.2	569
2A-3	E. Fk. Loop Road	3.1	1653
3-3A	Mule Ridge Road	1.1	5209
3-4	Skyland Road	1.0	569
3A-3B	Mule Ridge Road	0.5	5209
3A-3D	Mule Ridge Road	1.0	9603
3B-3D	Mule Ridge Road	3.2	5209
3B-3D	Mule Ridge Road	0.4	5209
3D-4	Mule Ridge Road	1.0	5209
4-5	Skyland Road	2.8	569
5-5A	Challenge Loop Rd	1.4	9632
5-6	Skyland Road	0.5	569
5A-6	Challenge Loop Rd	2.0	5282
6-7	Skyland Road	0.6	569
7-7A	Grouse Creek Rd	2.2	5284A
7-8	Skyland Road	0.7	569
8-9	Skyland Road	1.3	569
10-11	Skyland Road	2.1	569
11-12	Puzzle Creek Trail	1.8	
1-6	Zip's Place-Challenge Cabin	6.4	
1-10	Skyland Parking-Warming Hut	11.2	
1-12	Skyland Parking-Crescent Acre	13.0	

### Welcome to the Skyland Area

The trails in the Skyland area are groomed regularly by the Summit Snowgoers Club. They are located on Flathead National Forest land. Fuel, food, and grooming are provided by the Montana gas and snowmobile registration fees, and administered by the Montana Snowmobile Association.

The Summit Snowgoers is a family club committed to the protection of the environment. Business meetings are held monthly each winter. Club activities include trail riding, a fun day, monthly family outings, and a stupa fly in April.

For grooming information contact:

SUMMIT SNOWGOERS  
P.O. Box 301  
Cut Bank, MT 59427  
(406) 873-5477

### Skyland Parking Suggestions

**GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS**

- ♦ Do not park your vehicle; take up as little parking space as possible.
- ♦ Unhook the trailer and back over the trail to allow for easier removal.
- ♦ DO NOT LEAVE TRAILERS JACK-KNIFED
- ♦ If traveling in a group, park your party's vehicles as close together as possible or head to tail to allow for more space.
- ♦ DO NOT BLOCK OTHER VEHICLES IF THEY ARE NOT A PART OF YOUR GROUP.

**THE UPPERT LOT closest to Skyland Road**

• Several parking spaces for two place trailers only.

• Angle park at 45 degrees pointed to the west using the creek side first. Back the banks so that people can drive through.

• The first vehicle in should park in the uppermost position closest to the trail. All others park in the next adjacent position.

• NO PARALLEL TO THE HIGHWAY PARKING.

**THE LOWER LOT farthest west of Skyland Road**

• All larger 4 place trailers, motorhomes, and over flow trailers.

• Park perpendicular (90 degrees) to the highway, and back up to the bank.

• NO PARALLEL TO THE HIGHWAY PARKING AND DO NOT PARK IN THE MIDDLE OF THE LOT.

### \*Snowmobile Registration

All snowmobiles must display a current registration sticker on public lands.

Montana residents must register their snowmobiles at the State Auditor's Office in the county where the owner resides.

Nonresidents who plan to use snowmobiles in Montana must obtain a Nonresident Nonresident Temporary Use Permit for \$25 per machine. You can:

\***Apply Online** - You may apply for your Nonresident Nonresident Temporary Use Permit online through Online Licensing System at: <http://fwp.mt.gov>

\***Paper Application** - You may apply for a Nonresident Nonresident Temporary Use Permit Application, fill it out, and mail it back to Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks (address is on the application).

\***Vendor List** - You can apply for a Nonresident Nonresident Temporary Use Permit at one of the many vendors in Montana, Idaho, Washington, and Wyoming. Visit <http://fwp.mt.gov> for details.

### \*State Lands Recreational Use License

A State Lands Recreational Use License is required when snowmobiling on State Land Lands. They can be purchased from Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks license agents. Visit <http://fwp.mt.gov> for details.

### SKYLAND AREA OVER SNOW VEHICLE LEGEND

<b>B</b>	U.S. FOREST SERVICE - Open Dec. 1 - March 31 To Over Snow Vehicle Access, Conditions Permitting
	U.S. FOREST SERVICE - SKYLAND-CHALLENGE AREA Open Dec. 1 - May 14 To Over-Snow Vehicle Access, Conditions Permitting
	U.S. FOREST SERVICE - No Over Snow Vehicle Use
	PRIVATE - No Over Snow Vehicle Use Without Permission
	Groomed Route - Open Dec. 1 - May 14 To Over-Snow Vehicle Access, Conditions Permitting (Ungrimed)
	Road Open Dec. 1 - May 14 To Over-Snow Vehicle Access, Conditions Permitting (Ungrimed)
	Road Open Yearlong To Over-Snow Vehicle Access, Conditions Permitting
	Road Template - Has Same Open Dates As Area It Resides In
H-3	Heliport
H-4	Over Snow Vehicle Parking Area
2	Mileage Marker (Map corresponds with ground markers)

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