

# Bridger Canyon Travel Planning Area

## A. Alternative Travel Area Goals, Objectives, Standards and Guidelines

### Travel Planning Area Direction Under Alternative 1

Alternative 1 is the “no action” alternative. There would be no changes to current Forest Plan management direction applicable to travel management.

### Travel Planning Area Direction Under Alternatives 2 through 6

**GOAL 1: Summer Recreation Use.** Provide opportunities for experienced users for mountain biking in the summer. Allow the opportunity for hiking in conjunction with the mountain biking emphasis. *This goal applies to Alternatives 2 through 7.*

**OBJ. 1(1):** Manage the road and trail system to provide for the following types of summer recreation use. *This objective applies to Alternatives 2 through 7, however the amount of opportunity varies as shown in the table below.*

Table II – 28 Summary of Summer Opportunities By Miles							
All mileages are approximate							
Recreation Opportunity	Current	Alt. 2	Alt. 3	Alt. 4	Alt. 5	Alt. 6	Alt. 7
<b>Pleasure Driving</b>							
Miles of Road	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
<b>Backcountry Roads (4x4)</b>							
Miles of Road	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>ATV</b>							
Miles of Road	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Miles of Trail	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Miles	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Motorcycle</b>							
Miles of Road	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Miles of Trail	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Total Miles	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Mountain Bike (Use Emphasized)</b>							
Miles of Road	15	15	3	3	3	3	3
Miles of Trail	13	13	13	13	13	13	13
Total Miles	28	28	16	16	16	16	16
<b>Mountain Bike (Use Allowed)</b>							

Table II – 28 Summary of Summer Opportunities By Miles							
All mileages are approximate							
Recreation Opportunity	Current	Alt. 2	Alt. 3	Alt. 4	Alt. 5	Alt. 6	Alt. 7
Miles of Trail	0*	0*	0*	0*	0*	0*	0*
<b>Pack and Saddle Stock (Use Emphasized)</b>							
Miles of Trail	13	13	0	0	13	13	0
<b>Pack and Saddle Stock (Use Allowed)</b>							
Miles of Trail	0*	0*	9	9	0*	0**	9
<b>Hiking (Use Emphasized)</b>							
Miles of Trail	13	13	17	17	17	17	19
<b>Hiking (Use Allowed)</b>							
Miles of Trail	0*	0*	0*	0*	0*	0*	0*
* Use for this activity is not prohibited on any trails; use is either emphasized or allowed.							
** Use for this activity is prohibited on some trails.							

**OBJ. 1(2):** Acquire public access at the southern end of the Travel Planning Area for a trailhead and trail to facilitate a bicycle loop route connecting with the Stone Creek Trail. *This objective applies to Alternatives 2 through 7.*

**GOAL 2: Winter Recreation Use.** Provide limited opportunities for experienced users for cross-country skiing in the winter.

**OBJ. 2(1):** Manage the road and trail system to provide for the following types of winter recreation use. *This objective applies to Alternatives 2 through 7, however the amount of opportunity varies as shown in the table below.*

Table II – 29 Summary of Winter Opportunities In Miles							
All mileages are approximate							
Recreation Opportunity	Current	Alt. 2	Alt. 3	Alt. 4	Alt. 5	Alt. 6	Alt. 7
<b>Pleasure Driving (Plowed Road)</b>							
Miles of Plowed Road	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
<b>Snowmobiling</b>							
Miles of Groomed Trail	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Miles of Marked Trail	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Miles	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Cross-country Skiing</b>							

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All mileages are approximate							
<b>Recreation Opportunity</b>	<b>Current</b>	<b>Alt. 2</b>	<b>Alt. 3</b>	<b>Alt. 4</b>	<b>Alt. 5</b>	<b>Alt. 6</b>	<b>Alt. 7</b>
Miles of Groomed Trail	0	0	8	8	0	0	0
Miles of Marked Trail	1	1	2	2	1	2	1
Total Miles	1	1	10	10	1	2	1

<b>Table II - 30 Summary of Area Restrictions - Acres</b>							
<b>Recreation Opportunity</b>	<b>Current</b>	<b>Alt. 2</b>	<b>Alt. 3</b>	<b>Alt. 4</b>	<b>Alt. 5</b>	<b>Alt. 6</b>	<b>Alt. 7</b>
<b>Snowmobiling</b>							
Yearlong Closure							
Wilderness	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Non-Wilderness	4,262	4,262	6,296	6,296	6,296	6,296	6,296
Seasonal Closure <u>2/</u>							
Wilderness	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Non-Wilderness	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
No Restrictions							
Wilderness	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Non-Wilderness	2,034	2,034	0	0	0	0	0
Net	6,296	6,296	6,296	6,296	6,296	6,296	6,296

2/ Note: Seasonal restrictions are displayed under the route-by-route management section.

**OBJ. 2(2):** Provide additional cross-country skiing opportunities on a marked/groomed route south of Bridger Bowl. *This objective applies to Alternatives 2 through 4. It is eliminated in Alternatives 5, 6 and 7, placing more emphasis on maintaining lynx habitat.*

**GOAL 3: Fisheries.** Provide habitat for Yellowstone cutthroat trout in the South Fork of Brackett Creek. *This goal applies to Alternatives 2 through 7.*

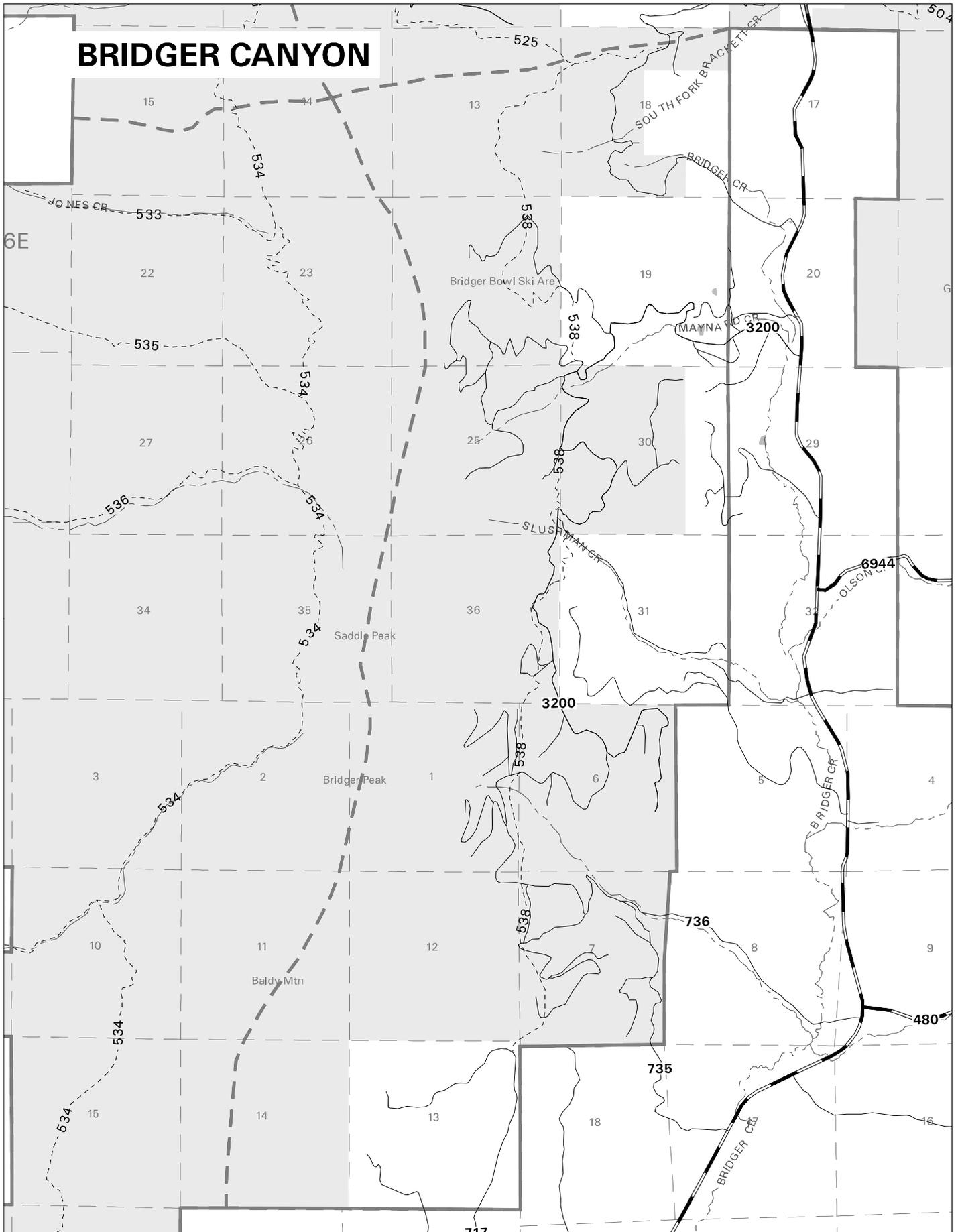
In this Travel Planning Area, this goal is pursued through application of Forest-wide standards.

## **B. Alternative Route-By-Route Management**

[See attached table.](#)

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# BRIDGER CANYON



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ROAD/TRAIL plus comments	ALT	Passenger Car	High Clearance	ATV	Motorcycles	MtnBike	Stock	Hiking	Snowmobiles	X-C Snowshoe	
<b>SOUTH FORK BRACKETT CR ROAD #631</b>	1,2	<b>E</b> CLOSED Oct 15 - May 31	<b>A</b> CLOSED Oct 15 - May 31	<b>A</b> CLOSED Oct 15 - May 31	<b>A</b> CLOSED Oct 15 - May 31	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>E</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	
	3-6	<b>E</b> Closed Oct 15 - Jun 15	<b>A</b> Closed Oct 15 - Jun 15	<b>A</b> Closed Oct 15 - Jun 15	<b>A</b> Closed Oct 15 - Jun 15	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>E</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	
	7	<b>E</b> Closed Oct 15 - Jun 15	<b>A</b> Closed Oct 15 - Jun 15	<b>A</b> Closed Oct 15 - Jun 15	<b>A</b> Closed Oct 15 - Jun 15	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>E</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	
<b>BRIDGER BOWL SKI HILL ROAD #3200</b> From Bridger Canyon Road to Bridger Bowl Parking Lot. Potential Public Forest Service Road in all but alternative 1.	1	<b>E</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>E</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG					
	2-6	<b>E</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>E</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG					
	7	<b>E</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>E</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG					
<b>BRIDGER BOWL SKI HILL ROAD #3200</b> From Bridger Bowl parking lot to the Forest Boundary. Potential Public Forest Service Road in all but alternative 1. Note date restricting uphill traffic on road into ski area coincides with the Bridger Bowl Operating season.	1	<b>E</b> Closed Oct 15 - May 31	<b>A</b> Closed Oct 15 - May 31	<b>A</b> Closed Oct 15 - May 31	<b>A</b> Closed Oct 15 - May 31	<b>A</b> Closed Oct 15 - May 31	<b>A</b> Closed Oct 15 - May 31	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	
	2-6	<b>E</b> Closed Oct 15 - May 15	<b>A</b> Closed Oct 15 - May 15	<b>A</b> Closed Oct 15 - May 15	<b>A</b> Closed Oct 15 - May 15	<b>A</b> Closed Oct 15 - May 15	<b>A</b> Closed Oct 15 - May 15	<b>A</b> Closed Oct 15 - May 15	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	
	7	<b>E</b> Closed Oct 15 - May 15	<b>A</b> Closed Oct 15 - May 15	<b>A</b> Closed Oct 15 - May 15	<b>A</b> Closed Oct 15 - May 15	<b>A</b> Closed Oct 15 - May 15	<b>A</b> Closed Oct 15 - May 15	<b>A</b> Closed Oct 15 - May 15	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	
<b>BRIDGER /SLUSH ROAD CONNECT (NEW)</b> This route would provide road access to the Pine Slushman trail system from Bridger Bowl Base area.	1,2, 5,6	<b>Route does not exist in these alternatives.</b>									
	3,4	<b>E</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>E</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>E</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG
	7	<b>E</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>E</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG
<b>ALL OTHER ROADS</b>	1	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	
	2-6	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	
	7	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	<b>P</b> CLOSED YEARLONG	<b>A</b> No Restrictions YEARLONG	

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ROAD/TRAIL plus comments	ALT	Passenger Car	High Clearance	ATV	Motorcycles	MtnBike	Stock	Hiking	Snowmobiles	X-C Snowshoe
<b>EAST BRIDGER TRAIL #538 Seq 1</b> From Bridger Bowl Ski Area south to its terminus. There is an access objective to provide a connector trail from the end of trail #538 to the Bridger Canyon Road. In alternatives 3 and 4 becomes a marked ski trail.	1	P CLOSED YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG	E No Restrictions YEARLONG	E No Restrictions YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG
	3,4	P CLOSED YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	E Closed Apr 1 - May 15	A Closed Apr 1 - May 15	E No Restrictions YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	E No Restrictions YEARLONG
	2,5,6	P CLOSED YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	E Closed Apr 1 - May 15	E Closed Apr 1 - May 15	E No Restrictions YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG
	7	P CLOSED YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	E Closed Apr 1 - May 15	A Closed Apr 1 - May 15	E No Restrictions YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG
<b>EAST BRIDGER TRAIL #538 Seq 2</b> From Bridger Bowl Ski Area north to its terminus. A portion of this trail segment is currently closed to motorized use inside the Bridger Bowl Ski Area Boundary.	1	P CLOSED YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG	E No Restrictions YEARLONG	E No Restrictions YEARLONG	P Closed YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG
	2-6	P CLOSED YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	E Closed Apr 1 - May 15	A Closed Apr 1 - May 15	E No Restrictions YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG
	7	P CLOSED YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	E Closed Apr 1 - May 15	A Closed Apr 1 - May 15	E No Restrictions YEARLONG	P CLOSED YEARLONG	A No Restrictions YEARLONG
<b>UNINVENTORIED MOTORIZED ROUTES</b> There are no known uninventoried motorized routes in this travel planning area.	ALL									