

**Wayne National Forest  
2002 Oil & Gas Leasing  
Recreation Analysis**

**Impact of the Action Alternatives**

The following tables define which tracts are likely to cause concerns either to an existing recreational activity, or result in additional impacts being created (i.e. increased illegal use by ORVs).

<b>Leasing Tracts Subject to Recreation Concerns on the Marietta Unit</b>			
<b>Tract Number</b>	<b>Management Area</b>	<b>Existing Condition</b>	<b>Recommended Mitigations</b>
3	6.2	No motorized recreation;	Recommend NSO
4	6.2	Designated for non-motorized recreation; recommend NSO	Recommend NSO
5	3.3	Kinderhook Horse Trail covers over 1 mile in this lease tract; accessible ridge-top sites in lease tract would use the same road as trail is on for access in W half of Section 23	Screen well from trail
13	3.3	Is in roaded natural non-motorized recreation	No mitigations recommended;
15	6.1	May impact a section of the North Country Trail with access road for potential well	Re-locate NCT as part of well development if access road falls on trail location
19	3.3	Lease tract covers NW corner of Kinderhook trail; expect increased road traffic; well site may be visible from trail	Screen well from trail; post signs for multiple use road
20	6.1	Semi-primitive non-motorized recreation; walk-in only;	recommend NSO
25	2.1	Could access west portion of tract from road outside the 2.1 area	Access any well site outside 2.1 area

<b>Leasing Tracts Subject to Recreation Concerns on the Ironton Unit</b>			
<b>Tract Number</b>	<b>Management Area</b>	<b>Existing Condition</b>	<b>Recommended Mitigations</b>
39	2.3/9.2	Tract is adjacent to Pine Creek ORV Trail; trail does not pass other oil wells; is very steep; access road would use ORV trail;	Recommend NSO
45	6.2	Tract is crossed by Vesuvius backpack and horse trail; no other wells are visible from these trails; semi-primitive/non-motorized rec;	Recommend NSO

<b>Leasing Tracts Subject to Recreation Concerns on the Athens Unit</b>			
<b>Tract Number</b>	<b>Management Area</b>	<b>Existing Condition</b>	<b>Recommended Mitigations</b>

34	3.2	Located in busy ORV area	Need gates and signage to discourage illegal use
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36	3.2	Located adjacent to ORV trails where illegal use frequently occurs	Need gates and signage to discourage ORV use
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**Impact of Alternative with Mitigations**

If the above mitigations are applied, there should be a minimal impact to or from recreational users from the development of the leased tracts.

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