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Caribou-Targhee
National Forest



Forest Products Program

CARIBOU-TARGHEE NATIONAL FOREST



Our Pledge

- ◆ Visitors will always be welcomed with prompt, courteous service.
- ◆ Our offices, work sites, visitor centers will be open at times convenient to our customers.
- ◆ Customers will receive the services and information they request, or we will explain why we cannot meet the request.
- ◆ Customers will be fully informed of the process required for grants, agreements, contracts, and permits, and we will respond in a timely manner.
- ◆ Customers will be asked regularly to help us improve our services and business practices.
- ◆ Our facilities will be safe, clean, attractive, and informative.
- ◆ Our facilities and programs will be accessible to persons of all ages and abilities.

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Personal Use Forest Products are defined as Forest Products that are destined or intended for individual use, private use, or household use only. Personal Use Products are not intended to be sold, traded, or given away.

Not all Personal Use Products are available at each Ranger District. Please check with your local District Office for Availability.

PERSONAL USE PRODUCT	PRICE & MAXIMUM QUANTITY
Firewood - Personal Use	\$6.25 / cord 8 Cord Maximum / Household / Year
Firewood - Free Use	FREE Check local offices for availability
Green or Dead Pole-sized Tree 0 to 4.99" DBH	\$1.50 / Tree
Green or Dead Post-sized Tree 5.0 to 6.99" DBH	\$2.50 / Tree
Transplants Conifers & Hardwoods Under 6 foot	\$5.00 / Tree
Transplants Conifers & Hardwoods 6 to 10 foot	\$10.00 / Tree
Transplants Conifers & Hardwoods 11 to 20 foot	\$25.00 / Tree
Transplants Shrubs, Ferns, Forbs & other Small plants under 6 foot	\$1.00 / Plant
Stumps - All Species	\$5.00 / Stump
Dry Cones – All Species	\$1.00 / bushel
Bark, Grass Seed, Forb Seed, Shrub Seed, Moss & Lichens, Roots, Bulbs	Prices vary by the pound Maximum Quantities vary
Tree Boughs, Fern cuttings, Shrub cuttings, and Grass	\$.10 / pound
Christmas Trees - Personal Use	\$5.00 under 12 feet. \$.50 / foot over 12' 1 Tree Maximum / Household

**THE MINIMUM CHARGE FOR ANY PERMIT
(except Christmas trees) IS \$20.00.**

For Commercial or Negotiated Sales of Forest Products, see your local District Office. Each Ranger District has different Forest Product Programs.

Caribou-Targhee National Forest Forest Products Program

The forest products program requires that firewood be charged for at the rate of \$6.25 per cord, with a minimum purchase of four cords. However, free wood may be available in some areas. Check the District Office for location of areas you want to remove your products from.

In order to ensure that there will be enough forest products accessible to people for their personal use in the future, each family is limited to certain quantities per household.

Some areas are closed to forest product removal. Closed areas include: Wilderness, Wilderness Study Areas, Research Natural Areas, Aquatic Influence Zones, campgrounds, administrative sites, and in active timber sale areas. Check your local Ranger District and Forest Travel Plan for open areas.

Permit holders wishing to use equipment other than a pickup truck, trailer, winch and chainsaw must check with their local District Office and obtain written permission and attach to the permit.

Where to Obtain Permits or Additional Information

Permits may be obtained in person at any District Office, Visitor Center, or local vendor.

Caribou-Targhee Visitor Center

630 West Broadway
Idaho Falls, Idaho 83402
(208) 523-3278
Forest Supervisor: Larry Timchak

Dubois Ranger District

225 West Main
Dubois, Idaho 83423
(208) 374-5422
District Ranger: Richard Newton

Teton Basin Ranger District

515 South Main
Driggs, Idaho 83422
(208) 354-2312
District Ranger: Jay Pence

Ashton-Island Park Ranger District

Ashton Office
46 Highway 20
Ashton, Idaho 83420
(208) 652-7442
District Ranger: Adrienne Keller

Montpelier Ranger District

322 North 4th Street
Montpelier, Idaho 83254
(208) 847-0375
District Ranger: Dennis Duehren

Westside Ranger District

Malad Office
195 South 300 East
Malad, Idaho 83252
(208) 766-5900
District Ranger: Jerald Tower

Ashton-Island Park Ranger District

Island Park Office
3726 Highway 20
Island Park, Idaho 83429
(208) 558-7301
District Ranger: Adrienne Keller

Palisades Ranger District

3659 East Ririe Highway
Idaho Falls, Idaho 83401
(208) 523-1412
District Ranger: Ron Dickemore

Westside Ranger District

Pocatello Office
4350 Cliffs Drive
Pocatello, Idaho 83204
(208) 236-7500
District Ranger: Jerald Tower

Soda Springs Ranger District

410 East Hooper Avenue
Soda Springs, Idaho 83276
(208) 547-4356
District Ranger: Jack Isaacs

REMEMBER . . .

Permit Required

To Cut or Remove Firewood

1. **YOU MUST HAVE A PERMIT.** A valid permit must be in your possession at all times when cutting and removing forest products (BOTH charge and free-use) on the Caribou-Targhee National Forest. You must be 18 years of age or older to purchase a permit.

For the permit to be valid, the person designated as the purchaser must sign the permit when they receive it and must have it in their possession when cutting and transporting products.

Violations pertaining to the Terms and Conditions of any Forest Product Permit, Resource Damage or Damage to Government Property shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$5,000.00 and/or imprisonment for not more than six (6) months and/or your forest products seized. An additional restitution for Resource Damage may also be imposed.

2. Cutting or removal of forest products is prohibited in campgrounds, summer home sites, administrative sites (guard stations), ski areas, designated Wilderness, Wilderness Study Areas or Research Natural Areas. Areas available for removal of forest products will be identified on the permit.
3. Cut stumps **12 inches** or less for firewood. Maximum length for firewood is stated on your permit.
4. Do not cut signed wildlife or bearing trees.
5. Do not cut in active timber sales. These areas are:

- Signed by yellow, orange and black signs.
- Contain trees with slashes or rings of orange, blue, yellow, green, white or red tree paint.
- Otherwise posted as an active timber sale.



6. Log decks are usually located along roads in active timber sales areas. These logs have been limbed, bucked, skidded and decked for hauling by the sale purchaser, and are not available for public use. **Do not cut log decks for firewood.**

**Do Not Cut
In Log Decks**

How to Validate Load Tickets

Forest Product Permit Holder — you need to do the following:

1 Punch out the month.

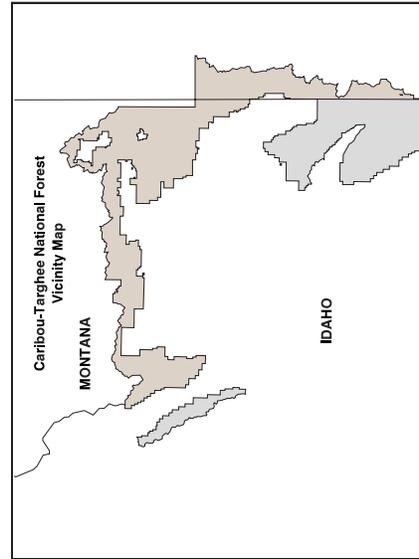
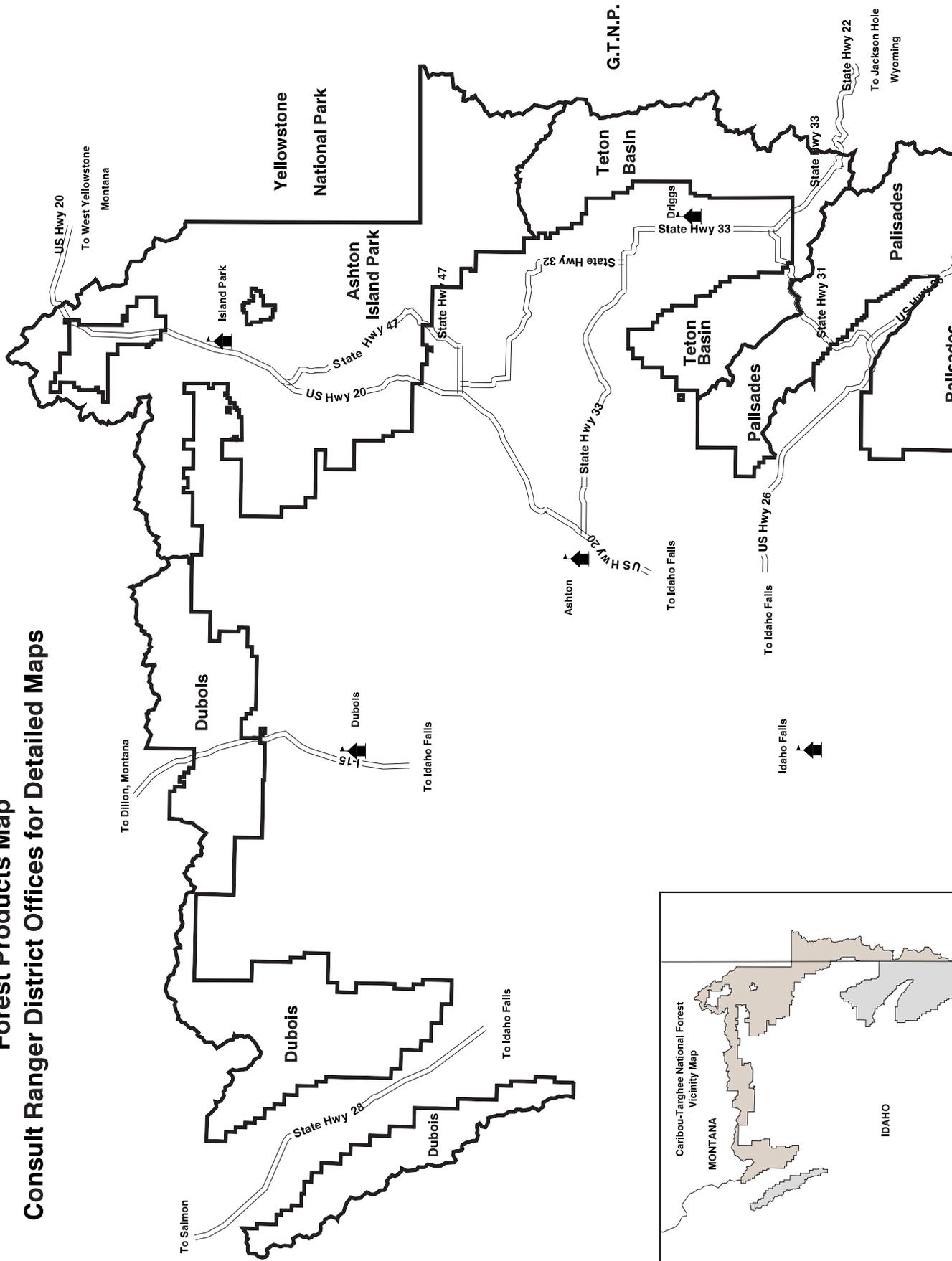
2 Punch out the day.

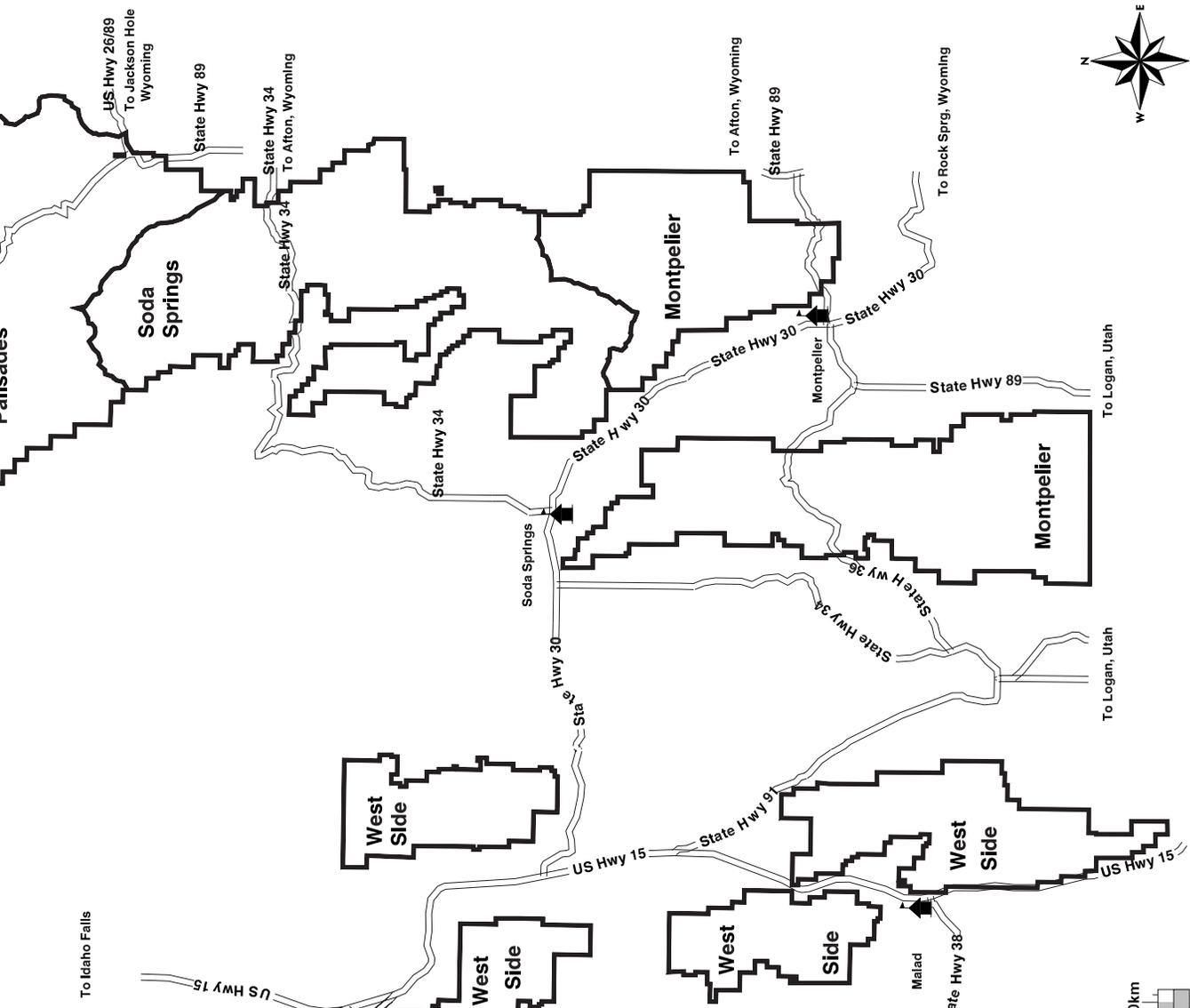
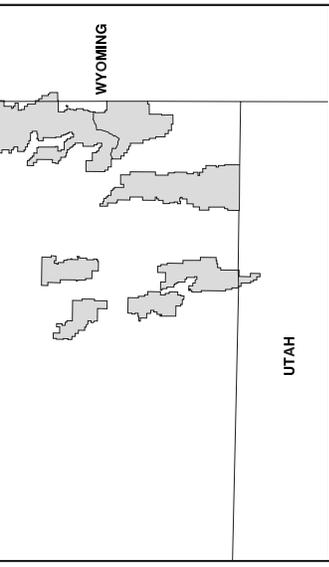
3 The product and quantity will be punched out for you at the time of purchase.

CARIBOU-TARGHEE National Forest Forest Product Load Ticket											
Ticket No. 12,345											
JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
1	CARIBOU-TARGHEE National Forest  Forest Product Load Ticket Ticket No. 12,345 To Validate: Punch out date, and appropriate unit of measure. Securely fasten load ticket to the Forest Product Load in route.	P R O D U C T	MBF								
2			CORD								
3			POST- POLES								
4			ORNA- MENT- ALS								
5			OTHER								
6		Q U A N T I T Y	1/4								
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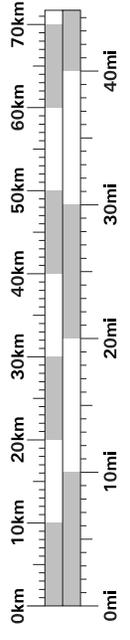
- 4** The ticket is not to be used for more than one load.
- 5** Attach load ticket to the back of the load in a clearly visible location.
- 6** Dispose of or destroy all unused tickets at the end of the year.

Caribou-Targhee National Forest Forest Products Map Consult Ranger District Offices for Detailed Maps





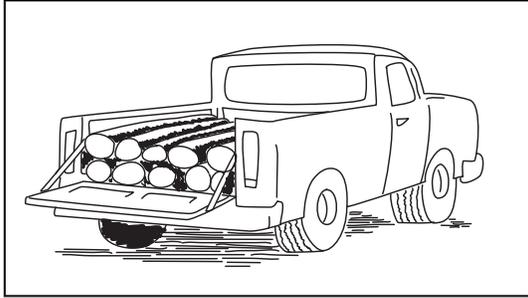
- LEGEND**
- District Offices (Firewood Permits available at Visitor Center Idaho Falls)
 - Federal / State Highways
 - District/Forest Boundary



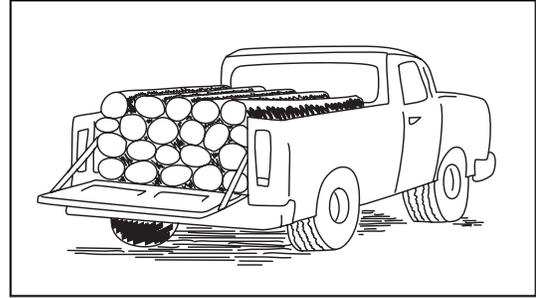
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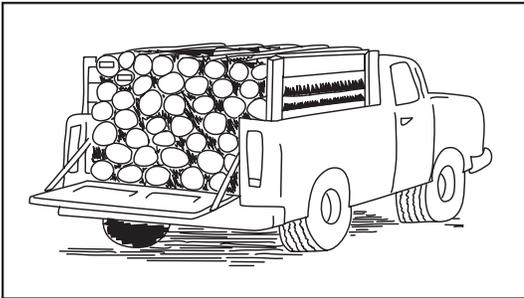
Measuring and Removing Firewood from the Forest



1/3 Cord for Long Bed
1/4 Cord for Short Bed



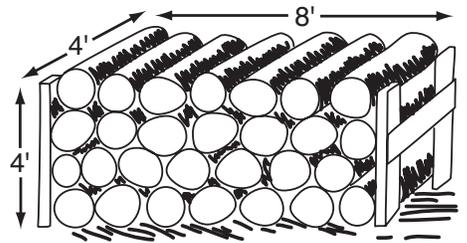
1/2 Cord for Long Bed
1/3 Cord for Short Bed



1 Cord for Long Bed
3/4 Cord for Short Bed

$$\text{Number of Cords} = (\text{length} \times \text{width} \times \text{height}) \div 128$$

Firewood is commonly measured in cords. A standard cord is the amount of lightly piled wood in a stack 4 feet wide by 4 feet high by 8 feet long.



The average half-ton pickup truck can carry a half cord of dry wood without overlapping the vehicle.

ONE CORD (128 cubic feet)

Measuring and Removing Limbs and Boughs



75 Pounds for Long Bed
50 Pounds for Long Bed with Toolbox
50 Pounds for Short Bed



125 Pounds for Long Bed
75 Pounds for Short Bed

Travel Plan Restrictions and Road Closures



One reason for seasonal road closures is an attempt to reduce the impact on the land from vehicle use during wet seasons. The Forest has two periods during the year when the soils become saturated with water and are highly erosive. The first period occurs in the spring during snow melt and spring runoff until around June 15. The second period is from around October 15 until winter snows.

Another reason for seasonal closures is an attempt to reduce the impacts upon key wildlife habitat areas. Migration routes, calving areas, and important winter or summer range areas may require road closures. Certain Forest roads and trails are therefore closed for these purposes.



Obtain a Travel Map for specific closure information.

Vehicles may travel up to 300 feet off open roads when the ground is dry, no vegetation is damaged, and when no streams or wet meadows are crossed. No travel is permitted in Forest riparian areas.

Know and obey all state vehicle laws.

Using a vehicle off developed open forest roads more than 300 feet to gather forest products is prohibited. Please refer to your local Forest Travel Plan for rules and regulations pertaining to roads, trails and off road usage.



Wildlife Trees

Standing, dead trees (snags) play a role in supporting wildlife populations in the Forest. They are a source of food, nests, perches, and protective cover for many birds and mammals.

Wildlife Trees identified with this sign are prohibited from cutting.



Cutting and removal of any Bearing Tree with this sign is prohibited.

BEARING
TREE

CORNER IS APPROXIMATELY

DIRECTION DISTANCE

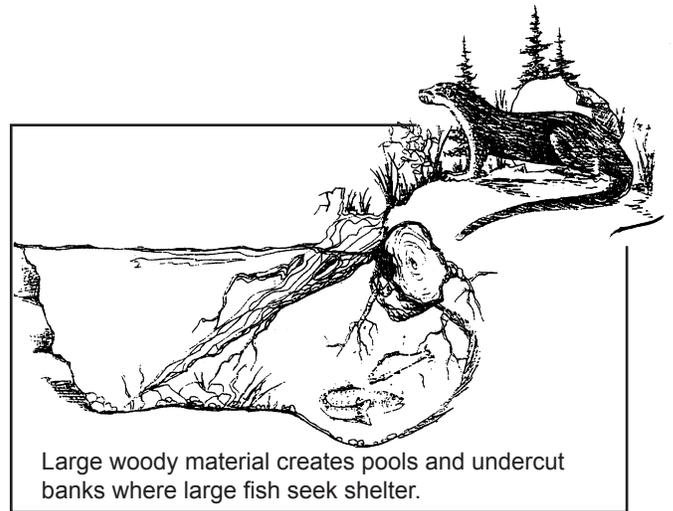
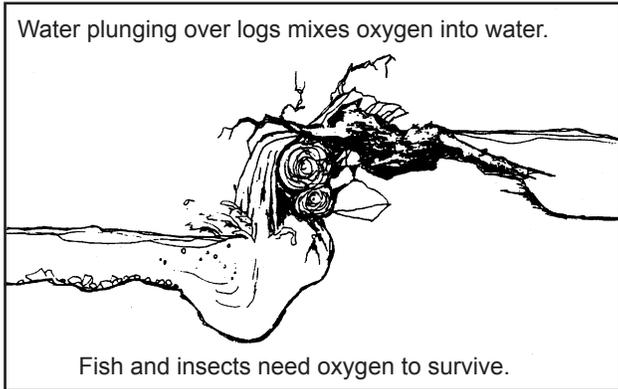
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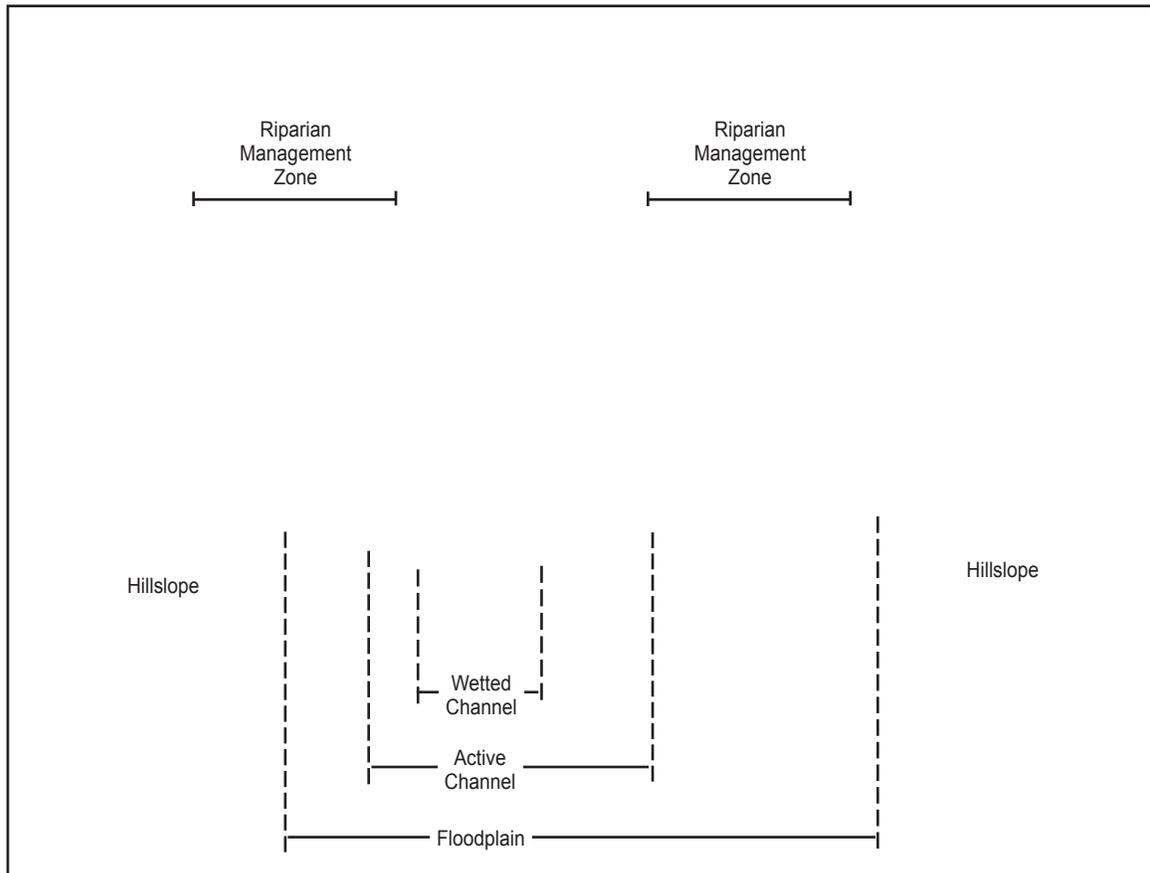
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Aquatic Influence Zones



The Caribou-Targhee National Forest refers to areas near streams, rivers, lakes, and wetlands as aquatic influence zones (AIZ). Vegetation in these areas help to provide stream bank stability, filter upland sediments and pollutants prior to entering the water, shade water, and provide structure and nutrients to the aquatic ecosystem.



NO FIREWOOD CUTTING IS ALLOWED within 300 feet (the length of a football field) from the edge of a watered stream, lake, pond or wetland. NO FIREWOOD CUTTING IS ALLOWED within 100 feet from the edge of a dry stream, lake, pond or wetland. This will sustain the input of large wood to the stream.

Safety Hints

Gathering firewood can be hazardous. Here are some tips to make your trip safe:

- 🌲 Start saws on the ground.
- 🌲 Wear saw chaps, work boots, safety glasses, hard hat, earplugs, and gloves.
- 🌲 Be sure of your footing. Have an “escape” route when falling. Post lookouts when needed.
- 🌲 Carry a shovel and a fire extinguisher with you to reduce the possibility of fire. Don’t smoke.
- 🌲 Park your vehicle in a safe location. Use caution when driving back roads — especially around curves.
- 🌲 Do not drop trees across roadways. A tree across a road keeps other people from getting through, and can be very dangerous.
- 🌲 Make sure you’re not cutting too close to anyone else.
- 🌲 The backcut must be above the level of the horizontal facecut to prevent kickback when falling.
- 🌲 Backcut must leave sufficient hinge wood to guide the tree’s fall in the intended direction.
- 🌲 Check your local district office for any current fire restrictions.



**Report fires on the Caribou-Targhee National Forest to
East Idaho Interagency Fire Dispatcher, 208-524-7600 or 1-800-438-8160.
or the nearest Sheriff’s Office, or dial 911.**

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