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Snowmobile Use Prohibited at Ski Area

Hamilton, Montana (March 31, 2020) – The Bitterroot and Salmon-Challis National Forests would like to remind people that snowmobiling is not allowed within the Lost Trail Powder Mountain permitted ski area, before and/or after the ski area is closed. Both Forests Over Snow Vehicle Use Maps (OSVUM) and the 2007 Special Order prohibits snowmobile use in the ski area.

The reasons for the closure are due to safety concerns associated with ski area personnel still working in the area conducting facility maintenance and the parking lot is not plowed and can be impassible. Snowmobilers can access the Saddle Mountain area via the 8112 road to the north and snowmobilers can also use the 1260 road at the snowmobile parking area east of Highway 93.

The OSVUM and other forest maps can be viewed at <https://www.fs.usda.gov/main/bitterroot/maps-pubs>. Paper copies of the maps are also available for free at National Forest offices. For more information, please contact the Darby/Sula Ranger District at 406-821-3913 or Salmon-Challis National Forest at 208-756-5100.

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