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## NEWS RELEASE

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### SPRAYING PLANNED AT LARRY CREEK

Hamilton, MT. – The Bitterroot National Forest is advising horseback riders, hikers, and other recreationists that it will initiate post-timber sale treatment of weeds next week in the Larry Bass timber sale area to encourage native vegetation recovery and prevent the establishment of invasive weeds. A similar treatment occurred in May. Spraying is scheduled to begin on Monday, July 21 and should be completed by next Friday. Work will not occur on weekends.

Treatments are planned on Larry Creek road, Larry Creek loop, Larry Creek Trail #129, and all timber sale temporary roads, skid trails and log landings. Spot spray applications by ATV, truck, or hand methods will target several species of concern including sulfur cinquefoil, oxeye daisy, and spotted knapweed.

A certified commercial contractor will perform the work and Aminopyralid, also known as 'milestone' is the primary herbicide that will be used. Treated areas will be posted with a notice identifying the date of application and the herbicide typically dries within a few hours. For more information contact the Stevensville Ranger District at (406) 777-5461.

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