Teton Basin Firewood and Forest Products Handout

The Caribou-Targhee Forest Wide Personal Use Fuelwood Conditions are part of all forest products permits. In addition, the following Terms and Conditions within 300 Feet of Open Roads on the Teton Basin Ranger District apply:

Cross-country travel within 300 feet of an open road is currently permitted for firewood gathering and temporary campsites provided no vegetation is damaged or destroyed under the Targhee National Forest Travel Plan. This allows the public to park off the road and have a safe and enjoyable forest visit. It is not intended to be abused or allow the public to construct short unauthorized or poorly designed user-created routes. The intent is to allow someone to drive to a downed tree, remove that firewood and drive back to the road.

An open road is defined as a DESIGNATED ROUTE open to full sized vehicles as shown on the Palisades & Teton Basin Ranger Districts' Travel Plan. Gathering of forest products along trails is not authorized.

- 1. Cross-country motorized travel is permitted within 300 feet in areas where the slopes are less than 40 percent to prevent aggravation of mass soil movement. Abusing this privilege or causing resource damage could result in a fine, loss of firewood cutting privileges or force the Forest Service to no longer allow cross-country travel for personal use firewood.
- 2. Harvest of forest products and driving off classified roads for the purpose of firewood harvest (cross-country motorized travel) is not allowed when the ground is wet. Rutting will be considered resource damage and could result in a fine, loss of firewood cutting privileges or both.
- 3. Anyone accessing the National Forest for forest products on the Teton Basin District must adhere to specific permit restrictions; seasonal restrictions as outlined in the Caribou-Targhee National Forest Travel Plan Map for Palisades & Teton Basin Ranger Districts; and current Motor Vehicle Use Map Caribou-Targhee National Forest. Additional closures or restrictions may be made at any time for resource protection or public safety. To avoid inconvenience, contact local District Ranger offices for current travel information.

<u>Note</u>: Forest products are NOT available within 200 feet of any trailhead.

Transplant products are NOT available in Teton, Darby and Fox Creek Canyons.

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