

## Black Hills National Forest

Seasonal Restrictions Apply	22.8%
Seasonal Restrictions - No Off-road Travel	3.2%
Backcountry Motorized Recreation on Designated Trails	1.0%
Only OHV Travel Prohibited	11.4%
Motorized Travel Prohibited Except Snowmobiles	1.2%
All Motorized Travel Prohibited	1.3%

### Monitoring:

Travel management maps are being distributed for the Forest. The map for the Bearlodge Ranger District in Wyoming is also a travel order. The map for Northern Hills, Mystic, and Hell Canyon Ranger District in South Dakota depicts the effects of existing travel orders. These maps are available free to the public. District Travel Management teams are monitoring off-road vehicle use on the forest. As a result, Special Orders were published in FY06 restricting motorized access in two additional areas of the forest due to OHV-related resource concerns.

### Evaluation:

The Forest continues to address the issue of unmanaged recreation. The Forest is continuing to compile data and develop processes for analyzing travel management issues on both Forest-wide and project levels. Several projects included travel management data collection and analysis in FY06. A number of collaborative public meetings are scheduled for October and November in FY07. The Forest has also initiated partnerships with several local stakeholder groups to facilitate travel management planning data collection and identifying issues, interests, and other potential partners. As a result of these efforts, the Forest expects to initiate the NEPA process to amend the current Forest Plan and designate a motorized transportation system in FY07, in accordance with the 2005 Travel Management Rule.

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## Monitoring Item 36: Access - Trail Opportunities

### Objectives.

#### 416. Maintain and construct trails as displayed in the following table:

Non-motorized Trails (1996)	293 miles
Motorized Trails (1996)	14 miles
Non-motorized Trail Construction	204 miles
Motorized Trail Construction or Conversion from Road to Motorized Trail	15 miles
Total Forest Trail System	526 miles
Reconstruction	100 miles

418. Enhance the trail system to disperse use away from the Black Elk Wilderness.

### Monitoring:

#### Objective 416

1997 Revised Forest Plan		FY2002	FY2003	FY2004	FY2005	FY2006
Existing Trail Inventory:						
Non-motorized Trails (1996)	293 miles	318.6	332.8	332.8	332.8	309.2
Motorized Trails (1996)	14 miles	14.2	13.7	13.7	13.7	13.7

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New Trail Construction:	~	~	~	~	~	~
Non-motorized Trail Construction	204 miles <sup>1</sup>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	7.0
Motorized Trail Construction or Conversion from Road to Motorized Trail	15 miles <sup>1</sup>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total Forest Trail System	526 miles <sup>2</sup>	332.8	346.5	346.5	346.5	322.9
Reconstruction	100 miles <sup>1</sup>	4.2	10.2	11.4	1.6	2.9

<sup>1</sup>Per decade

<sup>2</sup>Total Miles at End of Decade

### Evaluation: Objective 416

Forest Plan Objective	Percent Compliance FY1998 – FY2006
Non-motorized Trail Construction	<sup>1</sup> 0%
Motorized Trail Construction or Conversion from Road to Motorized Trail	<sup>2</sup> 0%
Reconstruction	<sup>3</sup> 103.0%

Figures are based on the following goals by the end of the first decade:

<sup>1</sup> increase of 20.4 miles per year

<sup>2</sup> increase of 1.5 miles per year

<sup>3</sup> increase of 10 miles per year

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## Monitoring Item 37: Access - Right-Of-Way Acquisition

Objective 503. Acquire approximately 25 rights-of-way each year to improve Forest access.

### Monitoring:

		FY2001			FY2002		
Type	Cases	Miles	Acres	Cases	Miles	Acres	
Acquired	12	6.2	24.6	3	4.2	10.6	
FLPMA*	~	~	~	~	~	~	
Forest Road Easements Conveyed	4	3.5	14.1	1	.09	.69	
Private Road Easements Conveyed	3	6.7	26.7	17	6.06	25.8	
FRTA** Easements <sup>1</sup>	0	0	0	0	0	0	

		FY2003			FY2004		
Type	Cases	Miles	Acres	Cases	Miles	Acres	
Acquired	2	2.9	11.8	3	1.05	4.37	
FLPMA*	~	~	~	~	~	~	
Forest Road Easements Conveyed	6	2.5	20.08	7	13.8	57.51	