



BE PREPARED

#TREADLIGHTLY

#RECREATE RESPONSIBLY

TRAIL ETIQUETTE

- Horses always have the right of way, when meeting them on the trail, carefully step off the trail out of their way and back on disturbing nature as little as possible.
- Hikers have the right of way over bikers. It's polite to let oncoming traffic know how many are in your group.
- Uphill travelers doing the same activity have the right-of-way.
- Always leave gates in the same manner that you found them.
- If crossing private property, obtain permission from the land owner prior to crossing.
- Always keep your pets under control; this protects everyone.
- Don't flag trails with markers or cairns, use a map or GPS.
- Hike, bike, ATV in single file, don't widen trails. In open country, where there is no trail, spread out so as to not create a trail.

STAY ON THE TRAIL

Traveling in the backcountry requires an increased awareness of the impact of human presence and our activities on the environment, especially as we collectively endeavor to preserve wild places. One of the top things you can do to preserve our backcountry is to stay on designated trails and never shortcut trail switchbacks.

DO NOT MESS WITH THE WILDLIFE

They need their space and they don't need fed, nature takes care of it's self. Be aware that food in your backpack may attract bears. Keep food up in a tree and a safe distance from your campsite.

WASTE MANAGEMENT

In the national parks to our north, you are required to pack all human & pet waste out. In the national forests, cat holes are still an accepted method of waste disposal. Dig a shallow hole at least 200 feet from water, trails and camps. Never ever leave toilet paper or feminine products in the backcountry. Fill in the hole when finished.

CAMPSITE SETUP

Selecting a campsite is one of the most vital parts of being a neighborly backcountry guest. Camp at least 200 feet (70 adult feet) away from lakes, rivers & streams. If weather conditions allow for a campfire, place it on rock, sand or gravel, away from brush or grasses. Spread out tents, don't stay in the same spot every night. Be aware that voices carry clearly in the outdoors, be mindful of others camping in the same area. When you leave, clear all signs of your stay.

CAMPFIRE SAFETY

Sublette County's climate is frequently dry and highly susceptible to wildfire, so please observe the following: Be Aware - at times there may be a fire ban on local, state and federal grounds. Consider the use of a light-weight camping stove (pack your trash out). If you must build a fire—use existing fire rings, build a mound fire, or use a fire pan. Use only fallen timber for campfires. Extinguish fires with water not dirt, 2 gallons is a good rule of thumb. Remember, if it's too hot to touch, it's too hot to leave.



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MOUNTAIN PACK LIST

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No matter what adventures take you outdoors, responsible recreation is critical to protect the our natural resources, other people and yourself.

TREAD LIGHTLY PRINCIPLES:

- Plan and prepare • Leave nature as found
- Travel and camp on durable surfaces (stay on trails and camp on existing campsites)
- Dispose of waste properly
- Minimize campfire impacts • Respect Wildlife
- Be Considerate of others
- Leave It Cleaner Than You Found It

LAYER UP!

Summer temps can vary wildly in the space 24 hours — You'll warm up one moment, but you'll need a little extra protection from the elements in the next. Have warm base layers and breathable, waterproof outer layers are essential.

STAY HYDRATED & FUELED

It's easy to forget to drink water or eat when you are playing outdoors. But keeping your body fueled for the days activities is essential. Pack water and snacks with you. Having water in your vehicle when you return is always a welcome addition.

GEAR UP!

Make sure to carry extra things like strike-anywhere matches, maps, sunscreen, extra batteries, a basic first aid kit, and an emergency blanket, just in case things don't go according to plan.

CHECK THE WEATHER

Wyoming's weather is notorious for changing in a few moments time.

PLAN AHEAD

- Cell coverage can be spotty, so make a plan with your friends before heading out on your adventure. Stay together, this isn't the time to go rogue.
- Let someone at home know when you will be out and when to call for help if you don't check in.
- Know Your Limits & know when to turn around – we all want you to come home safely.
- Buy, learn to use and carry an avalanche beacon.

PACK IT OUT

Leave nature better than you found it. If you packed in, pack it out. If you find trash, it would be cool if you packed it out too.

SHARE THE TRAIL

It goes without saying, but be kind and share our outdoor spaces. Most trails are multi-use, use your manners and think about others recreating in the same places. Pick your dogs poop up out of trails. Keep your dog under control when recreating on and off trails.