

SMITH RIVER #52
DEER/ELK HD 445 & ANTELOPE HD 450 (REVISED 2016)

Is not participating in elk shoulder season hunting. Elk hunting **only** allowed during the standard 6-week archery season (Sep 3 – Oct 16) and the 5-week general rifle season (Oct 22 – Nov 27).

DATES BMA IS OPEN / WHERE & HOW TO GAIN ACCESS / HUNTABLE GAME: see individual landowners for exceptions. *No Reservations taken before 22 August.*

EACH LANDOWNER REQUIRES SEPARATE RESERVATIONS & WRITTEN PERMISSION.

BMA RULES & RESTRICTIONS

No shooting around livestock. Doe hunting is encouraged. Walk-in hunting only. Park where instructed. If, after an animal is shot, & it runs to another Smith River BMA cooperator property, you may pursue without first notifying that cooperator.

1. MORTAG RANCH: Open 1 Sep – 1 Jan. Reservations & written permission required. Call 866-3595 between 6 pm-8pm. **Would like to see more hunters during the week to spread out pressure. DO NOT LEAVE MESSAGES. LANDOWNERS WILL NOT RETURN CALLS**

2. LEVEQUE RANCH: Open Archery & General Rifle seasons only. Reservations & written permission required. Call 468-2776 at a reasonable hour. **Game Restriction - No upland bird hunting allowed. DO NOT LEAVE MESSAGES. LANDOWNERS WILL NOT RETURN CALLS**

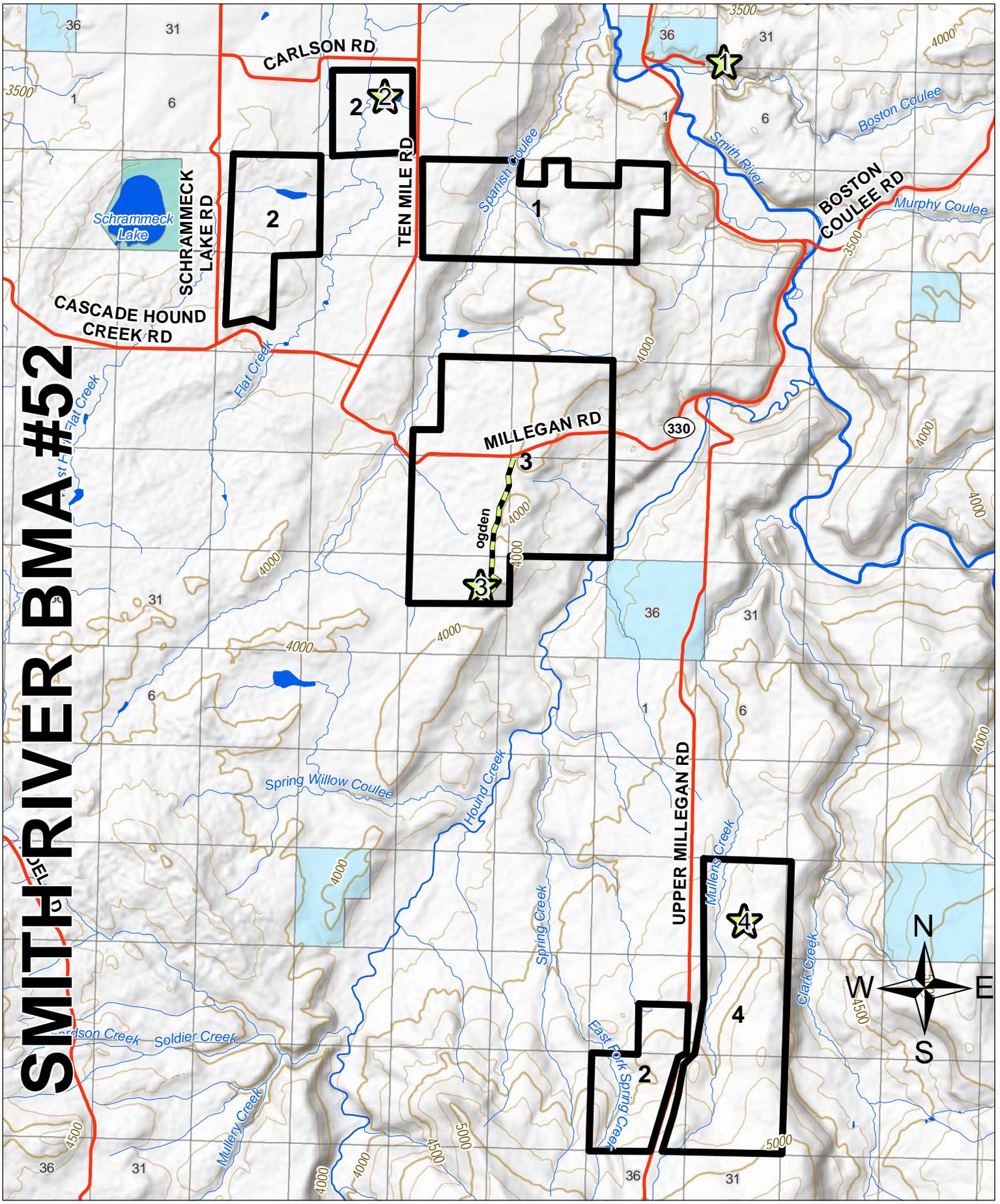
3. OGDEN RANCH: Open 1 Sep – 1 Jan. Reservations & written permission required. Call 866-3539 from 7pm - 9pm. Permission slips issued 6am - 8am. **DO NOT LEAVE MESSAGES. LANDOWNERS WILL NOT RETURN CALLS**

4. SPRING VALLEY SIMMENTAL INC: Open 1 Sep – 1 Jan. Reservations required. Call 791-8245 between 9 am – 9 pm daily. No reservations accepted more than 14 days in advance. May call to make reservation same day you wish to hunt if area is available. BMA accepts 1 party of 1-4 hunters per party per day. All hunters in party must sign in each day of hunt. Park in designated area just inside gate. Do not block the gate. **NO TRESPASSING IN SAFETY ZONE AS MARKED ON THE GROUND. DO NOT APPROACH ANY BUILDINGS OR DISTURB RANCH OWNER / STAFF.**

STANDARD BLOCK MANAGEMENT PROGRAM RULES:

- BMA restrictions do not apply to legally accessible, (via public roads and watercourses, and other legal means of access) public (State or Federal) lands.
- In accordance with BMP ARM rule 12.4.205 (k) - On BMA's that restrict hunter numbers or require reservations, a hunter may not reserve permission on more than one BMA for the same day(s). For aggregate (multi cooperators) BMA's, a hunter, or a party may make reservations with up to three (3) cooperators within that BMA.
- Individual or party hunters may not reserve permission to hunt for more than three days, per phone call, per BMA and may not call more than once per day. Individuals from the same hunting party may not each make reservations for consecutive "three-day blocks" in an attempt to book more than three days for that party.
- Hunter(s) who fail to call at least 24 hours in advance to cancel a reservation may be banned from that BMA, or, for aggregate BMA's, from the property owned by the cooperator with whom they made the reservations.
- A cooperator or their designated representative may deny access to an individual "for cause" IAW, ARM rule 12.4.205 (d). An example - intoxication, belligerence or violent behavior, violation of BMA rules, muddy/excessively filthy vehicle, etc. Cooperators may also ask FWP to ban an individual(s) for cause. This will be via a formal letter to the individual(s) from FWP and will specify the length of the ban, reasons, and complainant.
- Violations of any BMA rules and/or State hunting regulations will be prosecuted. Convictions may result in the loss of Block Management access privileges in addition to other penalties.

FWP PHONE #'s – R4 HQ (406) 454-5862 / E-MAIL (fwpr4bmp@ mt.gov) REPORT VIOLATIONS: 1-800-TIP-MONT



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BMA Rules - See Reverse Page
 Disclaimer - This map is not intended to depict property ownership outside the Block Management Area. Contact the appropriate land management agency for information on public land ownership and travel guidelines.
 Montana Fish Wildlife and Parks Region 4
 BLM 100K Map(s): Great Falls South

-  Access Road
-  BMA Boundary
-  Ranch Headquarters

