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Beetle Killed Trees

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Beetle killed trees are everywhere on your National Forest these days. The Forest Service urges you to be extra careful when recreating – avoid dense patches of trees – they can fall without warning. (49)

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That sea of red you see in the forest is really a sea of dead – trees that is. Dead trees are extremely dangerous and can fall without warning. Protect yourself. Stay out of the forest when the wind is blowing. (52)

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Watch out – dead trees are everywhere on your National Forest. When preparing for your trip, make sure you plan to stick to the main roads, rather than spurs, to avoid fallen trees. No one wants their plans ruined because they got trapped. Remember – many areas of the forest do not have cell phone coverage. (73)

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Falling trees are always a hazard when traveling in the forest. This year the hazards are worse than ever. The Forest Service urges you to be aware of your surroundings and stay away from thick patches of dead trees - they can fall without warning. Place tents and vehicles where they won't be hit. More importantly, place yourself where you won't be hit either. There's a reason why dead trees are called widow-makers. (99)