



This map highlights two areas of the National Grassland that provide scenic rides to OHV users. Learn about the two areas below

# **NORTH TRAIL MAP**

The North Trail Map highlights a remote area that features the rugged beauty of the North Dakota Badlands. Services in this area are incredibly limited. Riders may not have cell phone service; please plan accordingly.

### **SOUTH TRAIL MAP**

Riders who explore the south trail system will enjoy some of the same views that and the 7th Cavalry experienced during their time in North Dakota. Ride near Theodore Roosevelt National Park or head towards the historic town of Medora.

Wherever you decide to explore, you won't be disappointed. Happy riding!

**For Current Conditions:** 

**US Forest Service** 

(701) 227-7800

www.fs.usda.gov/dpg

For OHV Infromation & Regulations:

North Dakota Parks & Recreation

(701) 328-5357

www.parkrec.nd.gov

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The North Dakota Parks and Recreation Department's facilities

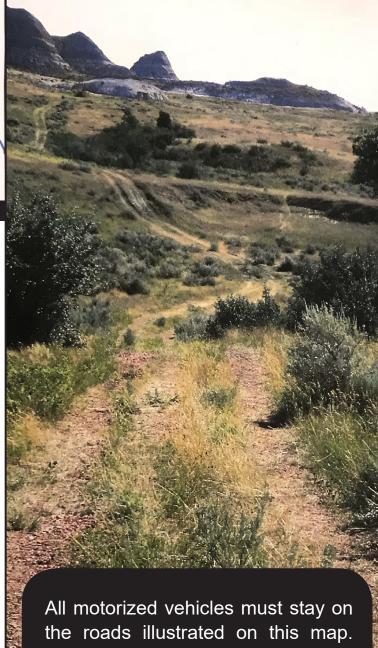
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This map illustrates recommended motorized recreation routes, but does not show all the roads in the area. Roads open to public use may change over time.

### TREAD LIGHTLY

- Travel responsibly on land by staying on designated roads and trails. Go over, not around, obstacles to avoid widening trails. Cross streams only at designated fords. When possible, avoid wet, muddy trails.
- Respect the rights of other recreational users, private property owners and their livestock. Close all gates behind you.
- Yield to those passing you or going uphill Motorized vehicles yield the right-of-way to pedestrians, bicyclists and horses. Share trails with everyone.
- Avoid sensitive areas such as meadows, wetlands and streams. Stay on designated routes. This protects wildlife habitats and sensitive soils from damage. Do not disturb historical, archeological or paleontological
- Do your part by modeling appropriate behavior. Leave the area better than you found it, properly dispose of waste, minimize the use of fire, avoid the spread of invasive weed species and repair degraded areas.



### **RIDE NORTH DAKOTA**

Pembina Gorge State Recreation Area: This area has become a top destination for adventure seekers throughout North Dakota and the surrounding states. The Pembina Gorge State Recreation Area encompasses over 2,800 acres of public land. With steep valley cliffs towering over small, isolated prairies and pocketed wetlands surrounded by the largest continuous, undisturbed forest in North Dakota, its stunning beauty is simply unmatched. With over 30 miles of trails, the Pembina Gorge provides visitors with an exceptional outdoor experience.

Roughrider OHV Trail: The trail is located 30 miles south of Mandan on Highway 1806. The trail begins at the Fort Rice Campground, and extends north for 16 miles on an old railroad bed and ends at Little Heart Bottoms.

Turtle Mountain State Recreation Area: The hilly terrain and heavy woodland cover provides a unique landscape in North Dakota. With over 10 miles of trails, the Turtle Mountain off-highway vehicle area is open to motorized vehicles like dirt bikes, all-terrain vehicles and side by sides as well as non-motorized trail users and sportsmen. The OHV area trail head. youth trail and parking area is located about 6 miles northeast of Bottineau and provides enough parking for trucks with large trailers.

Kimball Bottoms Recreation Area: Also known as "The Desert," this 400-acre play area is managed by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and is located 8 miles south of Bismarck.

#### IN THE AREA

**Theodore Roosevelt National Park** Theodore Roosevelt National Park lies in western North Dakota, where the Great Plains meet the rugged Badlands. A habitat for bison, elk and prairie dogs, the sprawling park has three sections linked by the Little Missouri River. The park is known for the South Unit's colorful Painted Canyon and the Maltese Cross Cabin, where President Roosevelt once lived. The Scenic Loop Drive winds past several overlooks and trails.

Step back in time when cattle was king on the prairie and Old West towns like Medora were gathering places for the people brave enough to settle in the rugged Badlands. Medora still maintains the charms of the "old" days and shares them with thousands of visitors each year. Its quaint downtown area offers shopping, touring, eating and stagecoach rides. It is the gateway to the South Unit of Theodore Roosevelt National Park and home of the Medora Musical and world-famous Bully Pulpit Golf Course.

Maah Daah Hey Trail The Maah Daah Hey Trail is a 144-mile non-motorized single track trail through the Badlands of North Dakota. It is at times rugged, challenging and relaxing and always amazing. International Mountain Biking Association (IMBA) has designated the hiking, biking and horseback riding trail as one of the top mountain biking trails in the United States.

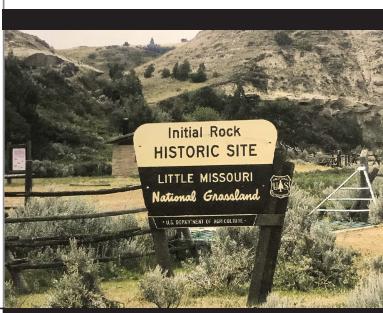
#### Welcome to the **Little Missouri National Grassland**

The Little Missouri National Grassland is located in western North Dakota. At 1,033,271 acres, it is the largest grassland in the United States. Enclaved within its borders is Theodore Roosevelt National Park. Predominant features of the National Grassland are the colorful and beautiful badlands and rugged terrain extensively eroded by wind and water. It is a mixed grass prairie, with abundant wildlife and scenic views with a rich history. The National Grassland is the largest block of public lands in the state providing extensive opportunities for:

- OHV riding Mountain biking
- Camping Hiking Horseback riding
- Wildlife viewing Hunting This map illustrates the miles of roads and

trails open to scenic touring and motorized

recreation. Learn more at www.fs.usda.gov/dpg



## **PERMITS**

**North Dakota Residents** With some exceptions, OHVs operated on public land must be registered with the North Dakota Department of Transportation at any of their statewide offices. Information needed to fill out the application form includes: owner's name and address, make, year and serial

The registration fee is \$20 and covers a twoyear period that renews on even number years.

### **Out-of-State Visitors**

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Owners of out-of-state OHVs must purchase a non-resident public trails and lands access permit, at the cost of \$10 per year. Permits can be purchased at:

www.parkrec.nd.gov/business

### **CAMPING**

Visitors are allowed to camp within 300 feet of roads in the Little Missouri National Grassland, but it is recommended to use sites already designated for this purpose. Completely extinguish your campfire by drowning it with water. Camping is not allowed on state lands unless otherwise posted. For a few designated campground options see below:

## **NORTH TRAIL SECTION**

### Sather Lake Campground

Located 26 miles southwest of Watford City. North Dakota or 22 miles east of Sidney, Montana on Highway 68, the campground has space for approximately 50 people. There is a paved loop that offers picnic tables with shelters, fire grates and two vault toilets on the north end of the area.

### **SOUTH TRAIL SECTION**

### **Buffalo Gap Campground**

Located seven miles west of Medora, North Dakota. This campground is first-come, first served. Camping is open year-round with limited services during the winter. Parking pads are up to 60-feet long. Trailers are allowed in the day-use trailhead parking area.

### **Sully Creek State Park**

Located in the heart of the North Dakota Badlands, Sully Creek State Park is just minutes away from the historic town of Medora and Theodore Roosevelt National Park. This seasonal park (May-September) offers a quiet escape from these popular tourist destinations.

### **REGULATIONS**

Anyone operating an off-highway vehicle (OHV) on any publics lands in the North Dakota must comply with state regulations.

### **State of North Dakota Regulations**

- · Anyone operating an OHV must have a current registration and permit.
- · Anyone operating an OHV must have proof
- No person under the age of 18 may ride or otherwise be propelled by an OHV without a DOT approved safety helmet.

North Dakota's OHV laws and safety quidelines can be found online at: www.parkrec.nd.gov/business.

### Federal Regulations

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· Driving cross-country off established roads and trails by motorized vehicles is prohibited in the Little Missouri National Grassland.

### **GO EXPLORE**

Ready for an adventure of a lifetime? Western North Dakota is an extraordinary landscape of colorful and diverse badlands, canyons, buttes, rock outcrops and rugged terrain shaped by wind and water. This expansive landscape offers endless scenic overlooks and room to roam. Discover the many dispersed natural waters such as artesian springs, small reservoirs, along with the mighty Little Missouri River.

This landscape has hosted many people and historical events you can check out including Native American settlements, the Custer Trail, Theodore Roosevelt, and other ranches. cemeteries and railroads. Include a visit to the City of Medora located adjacent to Interstate 94 and Theodore Roosevelt National Park, offering services such as live entertainment, museums, shops, fuel stations, great food and lodging.

There are over 1,000 miles of scenic country roads to explore in a variety of topography. These roads wind through beautiful prairie, ranch lands, badlands and even bring you to the top of Square Butte with amazing views. Be sure to respect ranching activities by closing gates and keeping space between your vehicle, livestock and ranch property.

Diverse topography, wildlife, and scenic vistas make the Little Missouri National Grassland one of the best off-highway vehicle and scenic touring destinations in North Dakota!





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