

Vale District

Christmas Tree Harvesting Special Stipulations

Christmas tree permits are valid on Vale District BLM lands. Digital maps for the Vale District with geolocation information are available on request.

Please observe the following permit conditions:

General

1. HARVESTING PERMITTED WITHIN BLM MANAGED LANDS ONLY
2. One permit is required for each tree
3. Validate and attached your permit to your tree before transporting
4. Resale of Christmas trees and/or permits is not permitted
5. Harvest only trees that are less than 12 feet tall
6. Keep stump height to no more than 12 inches above the ground

No Harvest Areas

1. Do not harvest trees on private property or other landowners/managers
2. Do not harvest trees within fenced or posted tree plantations
3. Do not harvest tree within 200 feet of state highways, campgrounds, and other developed areas

Vehicle Use

1. Respect road and area closures
2. Motorized vehicles are NOT PERMITTED on roads closed by gates, earthen barriers, or signed as closed to such vehicles
3. Stay on established roads
4. Be aware that others WILL BE using the same road (i.e. other harvesters, recreationists, log trucks, etc.)
5. Drive cautiously and defensively
6. Do NOT block, restrict, or interfere with anyone's use of the roads or trails
7. Vehicle should be clean of mud and plant materials before entry onto BLM land

Safety Tips

1. Always let someone know where you plan to harvest your tree and when you expect to return
2. Check weather and road conditions before leaving home and be prepared for unexpected changes
3. Some public roads are not maintained in the winter
4. Carry tire chains
5. Carry a saw, shovel, gloves, boot, flashlights, first aid kit, additional water and food, and a rope to tie your tree down on your vehicle