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Help valley's wildlife make it through the winter

Event: Alliance Info Lunch, “**Wildlife in Winter: Not Just a Walk in the Park**”

Date and Time: Wednesday, Jan. 21, Noon to 1 p.m.

Location: Jackson Hole Conservation Alliance, 685 S. Cache

Cost: Free

As winter sweeps into Jackson Hole, wildlife must cope with additional hazards that threaten their very survival. Slippery roads increase the risk of collisions with cars. Especially this winter, the icy snowpack and cold temperatures make finding food and water more difficult. And wasting energy to avoid people and dogs stresses wildlife even further, and can lead to their death.

As part of the Don't Poach the Powder campaign, on Jan. 21, you can find out how to help the valley's moose, elk, mule deer and bighorn sheep make it through the winter. Please join the Conservation Alliance at noon for “Wildlife in Winter: Not Just a Walk in the Park.” Leon Chartrand of the Jackson Hole Wildlife Foundation will talk about efforts to reduce roadkills; Linda Merigliano of the Bridger-Teton National Forest will outline areas that are closed to protect wildlife; and Steve Kilpatrick of the Wyoming Game and Fish Department will discuss the many stresses wildlife face in winter, focusing on ways we can avoid adding humans to the long list of threats.

“Driving carefully on slick winter roads, respecting winter wildlife closures, and being aware of the hazards that endanger wintering wildlife will help ensure that our treasured wildlife populations remain healthy and viable,” said Alliance public lands director Louise Lasley.

Each year, the Conservation Alliance partners with Bridger-Teton National Forest, Grand Teton National Park, Greater Yellowstone Coalition, National Elk Refuge, Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation, and the Wyoming Game and Fish Department to help inform people about the importance of protecting wintering wildlife. Maps and more information about the campaign are available at www.jhalliance.org/dontpoach.pdf.

This event is free and open to the public. Bring your lunch and questions; we'll provide drinks and snacks.

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