

# BIG SKY COMMUNITY EVACUATION INFORMATION

It is important to keep in mind that incidents involving evacuations are often very dynamic based on a variety of constantly changing factors. Ensuring you receive, and follow, emergency directions while in Big Sky is critical.

## Step 1: Receiving Notifications

Mass notifications in Big Sky are provided by the Gallatin County Community Notification System powered by Everbridge. To receive messages while in Big Sky, install the Everbridge app on your phone. Simply installing the app will allow you to be alerted if you are located within an alert area.

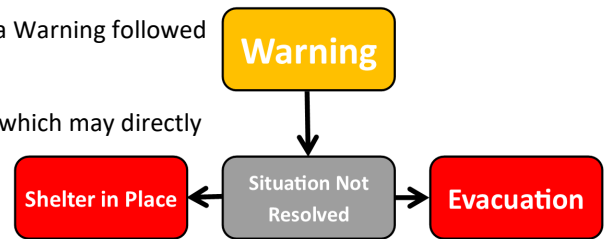
You can also choose to register in our system and identify addresses you wish to be notified about when you are not physically in the area.

## Step 2: Understand the Evacuation Process

The Big Sky area utilizes the recommended Montana Evacuation Model with a Warning followed by direction to Evacuate or Shelter in Place.

**Warning**—A situation exists that you should be aware of and monitor closely which may directly affect you.

If the situation is not resolved, one of the following directives may be issued



**Evacuation**—The situation is not safe for you to remain in the area. You should leave immediately.

**Shelter in Place**—An unsafe situation exists, but it is safer to remain where you are and not go outside.

## Step 3: Developing Your Family Emergency Plan

Residents and visitors should both develop a plan for if they are affected by an incident in Big Sky.

- Identify which critical personal items you must take with you during an evacuation.
- Do you have a enough supply of critical items on hand if you can't go to the store for several days.
- Orient yourselves to the roads in your neighborhood and the major roads around you that may serve as **Egress Routes**.
- Orient yourselves to potential **Areas of Refuge** around Big Sky that you could be directed towards.

## Emergency Information

Gallatin County Sheriff's Office Facebook: [facebook.com/gallatincountysheriffsoffice](https://facebook.com/gallatincountysheriffsoffice)

*Emergency information will be replicated across all agencies platforms.*

## Resources

Community Notification System: [Readygallatin.com/community-notification-system](https://Readygallatin.com/community-notification-system)

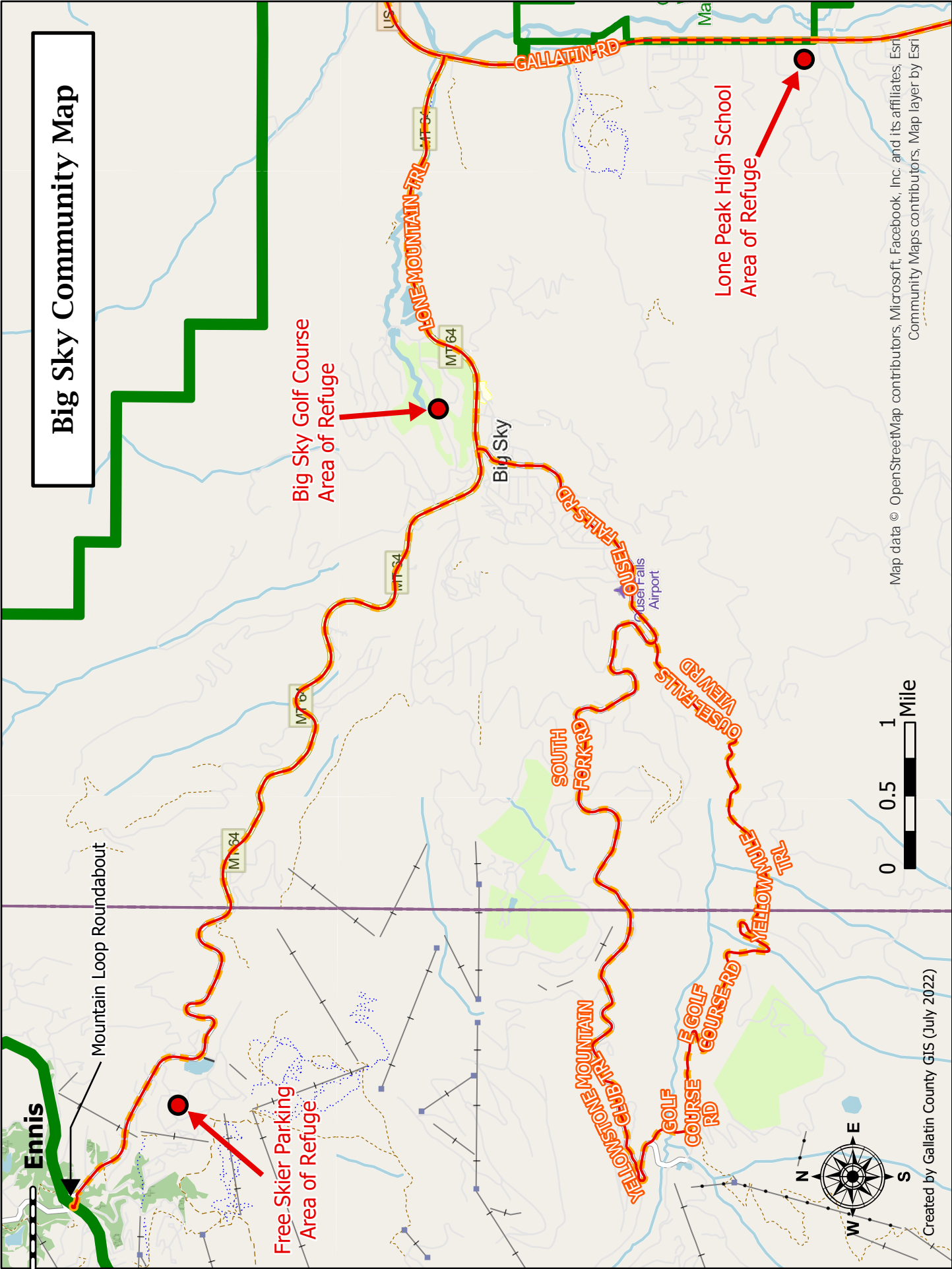
Evacuations: [ReadyGallatin.com/evacuation-process](https://ReadyGallatin.com/evacuation-process)

Emergency Plan: [ReadyGallatin.com/family-emergency-plan](https://ReadyGallatin.com/family-emergency-plan)

County Plans: [ReadyGallatin.com/plans](https://ReadyGallatin.com/plans)



# Big Sky Community Map



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