## Smartphone Mapping App for Gatherers

If you are a smartphone savvy Gatherer, or simply interested in mapping technology, you might want to check out Avenza Maps. Avenza Maps is a free app that allows you to track your location in real time, even when you don't have cell phone service. Even better, it has a bunch of free maps to choose from, including the Gifford Pinchot National Forest - Special Forest Products Map.

If you'd like to try it out, go onto Google Play or the App Store and search "Avenza" or "Avenza Maps." Download the free version. You can have up to four maps in storage with the free version. Once the app is downloaded, you search Gifford Pinchot National Forest - Special Forest Products Map. You'll have to set up a user account to download maps into the app.

To use the maps, turn on the app when you are close to the Forest and you'll appear as a small blue dot on the map. You can zoom in and out and track yourself in real time.

You can use the mapping app to help you find firewood, identify closed areas, and know exactly where you are.

If you want to know 'the rest of the story,' here is the website. https://www.avenzamaps.com/index.html