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Comments:

The most important thing for the Forest Service to do when creating a plan as important as this is to work towards finding a balance between economic stability of the communities surrounding the forest service and overall forest health. With that in mind, I think it is important to avoid drastic designations such as those presented in Alternatives D & E. The abundance of forest service land in Montana allows us to have both wild, untamed areas and motorized areas. I support the following.

1. Recommended wilderness numbers in Alternatives B & C and acres in B.
2. Recreation emphasis area numbers in B & C and acres in B.
3. Stillwater complex acres in B, C, & E. Sibanye Stillwater Mine is a huge contributor to Montana's economy and responsible expansion should be supported.
4. Plan components and key linkage areas. Linkage areas are unarguably important for wildlife health.
5. Risk assessment for permitted use of domestic sheep or goats (grazing or outfitting). Sheep production is a huge part of Sweet Grass County's history and culture and should be supported by the forest service. Domestic sheep and bighorn sheep can coexist with proper wildlife management efforts. Grazing should not be banished forest wide.
6. Miles motorized trail no longer available - 0 (Alternatives B & E).
7. Miles mechanized trail no longer available - 0 (Alternatives B & E).