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Comments:

Protect all recommended Wilderness areas from mechanized or motorized use in order to preserve the wilderness character and avoid incompatible and detrimental uses.

Enact the Gallatin Forest Partnership agreement based on multi-use collaborative planning. Protection of watersheds, habitat and recreational values is critical in this heavily used area.

The Absaroka-Beartooth area is uniquely suited to wilderness with world-class scenery and recreational potential which our family has experienced. I support those areas currently recommended for Wilderness plus Dome Mountain, Chico Peak, Woodbine, East Rosebud to Stillwater and Red Lodge Creek.

Recommended Wilderness boundaries in the Lionhead should be maintained for integrated management and protection.

We have been impressed with the cultural and geologic wonders of the Pryors and support Wilderness status for Lost Water, Punch Bowl, Big Pryor and Bear Canyon.

The exceptional wilderness values of the Crazy Mountains should be protected and efforts made to improve access and consolidate checkerboard ownership.

Ashland district Tongue River Breaks, Cook Mountain and King Mountain should be managed to preserve wilderness characteristics.