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Dear Person, I wish to comment on the ecosystem management regarding the Gallatin Range. Having trekked in various wilderness areas, I am well aware of the delicate balance that environments need to stay healthy and beneficial for the wilderness habitat on all levels. Disruption of the least kind can bring about natural decline and loss of ecosystems that will be unable to reestablish themselves. Size of groups of people need to be small. 12 persons seems to be a maximum number. The same is true for introduced livestock with the size being around 8. I have seen in the Northwest forests that roads are a source of irreversible damage for natural and safe habitats. Even motorized and mechanized uses are sources of considerable harm and need careful monitoring. The draft plan needs restraints till a fuller analysis by Congress has been completed. Additional areas of restriction need to included stop fish stocking. Such stocking drives an unhealthy demand to visit a lake. This unnatural stocking also increases the amount of pack animal and human feces. This pressure is quite

out of order with wilderness protection. Additional comments submitted will undoubtedly add other needs that should be met to achieve a treasured wilderness that is sustainable. I was surprised when I first encountered a wait to get to one area in my region. This is an essential aspect of preservation.

Thank you for your attention to my concerns Sincerely, Suzanne