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Comments:

I would like to express my support for Alternative D of the Revised Draft Forest Plan, with the following additions and modifications:

Add all 230,000 acres of road-less, wild, area to the Recommended Wilderness in the final plan for the Gallatin Range.

Limit groups of people to 12 and livestock to eight in the Absaroka-Beartooth and Lee Metcalf Wildernesses. Research shows larger group sizes have significant impact on wilderness ecosystems.

Do not allow the introduction of fish into naturally fish-less lakes as this negatively impacts the natural conditions.

Include provisions to address contamination of lakes and streams by human and pack animal feces contamination on the Beartooth Plateau in the Absaroka-Beartooth Wilderness.

Vacant grazing allotments in the Wildernesses should be closed and these areas allowed to return to a wild condition.

There should be no trail construction or reconstruction in the currently trail-less areas of the Absaroka Beartooth and Lee Metcalf Wildernesses.

The plan should prohibit all motorized and mechanized uses, and any other activities inconsistent with protection of the Recommended Wilderness areas so as to preserve their wilderness qualities.