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Commenting on the Custer Gallatin Forest Plan Revision:

First on the subject of wildlife, I want to advocate for expansion of bison onto NF lands surrounding Yellowstone Park. I support habitat improvement projects on a yearly basis to allow for year-round bison occupation and tolerance on NF lands, and to give bison a preference over domestic livestock grazing. I also want to advocate for grizzly bear habitat and protection on NF lands, and would not like to see any livestock grazing on Custer Gallatin NF land that is grizzly bear habitat.

I also want to strongly advocate for recreational opportunities on the Custer Gallatin NF, and specifically allowing more outfitters and guides the opportunity to provide services on NF lands. More specifically, I would like to advocate for more backcountry ski guiding opportunities throughout the mountainous regions of the Custer Gallatin NF. I observe significant growth in the recreational backcountry skiing communities around Red Lodge, Livingston, Bozeman, Big Sky and Cooke City, and thus would like the FS to allow more educational opportunities for those people, and a safe means for learning more about and experiencing the Nation Forest in winter. I also want to see the Custer Gallatin NF continue to support the Gallatin NF Avalanche Center, which is a tremendous resource for our communities.

Lastly I want to advocate for preserving historic public access into the Crazy Mountains.