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Please choose Alternative A.

I have lived and recreated in Montana's National Forests for my entire life of 51+ years. The Crazy Mountains and the Windy Pass areas, in particular, have been my stomping grounds.

Adding more than 700,000 acres of new wilderness will only push us motorized users into more concentrated areas and will then create over usage of those areas just as has happened with other closures due to wilderness and travel plan designations.

Please consider the motorized community in your decision. I am not a scientist but I can tell you that the forests continue to grow and flourish in the areas that I have always ridden my snowmobile. Snowmobiles do not disturb any wildlife. Those animals are down in the valley's eating ranches hay because the snow is too deep for them at the elevations that we ride.

I would like to be able to recreate in my National Forest with my grandchildren for the rest of my life just as I have been able to do with my parents and grandparents.

I would also like you to consider our aging and/or handicapped population in your decision. Please keep these people in mind and remember that they are users as well.

If I must support an alternative it has to be A. I would also like to see the Porcupine/Buffalo Horn opened again for everyone to enjoy.

Thank you,

Jay O'Neill