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I am writing to protest against the Lemhi Range in Lemhi and Custer counties being considered for being placed in a wilderness management area. Its negative for many reason. We have grazing rights in Timber Creek near Leadore as well as water rights. If this area was placed into wilderness, we would be forced out of business or curtailed. Also many recreationists use this area - motorcycle riders, hunters, as well as the public who want access into public lands. In my opinion, wilderness forever and select for over the general public access being the major problem - also fire management is out in wilderness areas. The huge fires every year in the west are no doubt contributing to global warming - more large fires cannot be allowed to burn. I dhao has enough wilderness area now. Our economies in Lemhi and Custer counties will be in trouble if the Lemhi Rang is put into wilderness. So I hope those people who are making the decision on the proposed wilderness placement on the Lemhi Range consider my view points on the matter. Thank you for reading this.

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