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Folk,

I urge you to include in the Plan all the areas that have been requested/recommended, such as those in the Absaroka Beartooth--one of the most spectacular wild area of the Northwest--such as Chico Peak, Red Lodge Creek, Dome Mt., Emigrant Pk. and others, to be added as designated Wilderness Areas.

I also urge you to implement all components to this plan that provide maximum protection to the still-wild areas that have been recommended/requested, including Punch Bowl, Lost Water and the Crazy Mountains, etc., in the Pryor Mts.; and to maintain (or expand) Wilderness and Roadless Areas in all existing sections.

Basically, we desperately need MORE designated Wilderness Areas, not fewer. As the nation's human population continues to grow, more wild places will be stressed and threatened more. This is especially critical, given the anti-Earth/everything is a market commodity regime in power now. I strongly ask that you do everything possible to expand and protect the places we still have before it's too late.

Although I live in Oregon I have bought property in western Montana and plan to do an extensive amount of exploring and backpacking in my new home. The number one reason I am moving is to have a less-urbanized place to live and celebrate the natural world that still exists.