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Comments:

My experience in the Custer Gallatin National Forest (CGNF) has been as a hiker for almost 4 decades, mainly in the Madison and Gallatin Ranges, also some experience in the Absaroka-Beartooth area.

Gallatin County is one of the fastest-growing counties in the United States, driven yto a large extent, by its access to the backcountry and wilderness of the Madison and Gallatin ranges. Substantial economic benefits accrue to Gallatin and neighboring counties. Protecting CGNF resources in the Madison and Gallatin ranges is critical in the face of such growth and economic pressures.

I strongly urge the CGNF plan embody and implement the proposals contained Gallatin Forest Partnershipo Agreement, particularly with respect to its wilderness recommendations, plus the management concerns for the Porcupine-Buffalo Horn Wildlife Management Area.

Thank you,
Richard Plummer