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Comments:

Since 1978, I have spent more than 130 nights in the Crazy Mountains, backpacking with friends and especially family. And I've enjoyed many more days hiking or snowshoeing in these special mountains.

I have travelled most of the trails, camped near and fished many of its lakes. I have enjoyed moments with my children, with my wife, with special friends that cannot be experienced outside of these pristine mountains.

I realize the challenge of managing the Crazies, with its checkerboard ownership. But any management plan which doesn't preserve the unique and remarkable wilderness character of these mountains would be a horrible disservice to future generations of Montanans.

With the growing population of our country and the dwindling of magical and natural areas, it is imperative that we not allow any degrading of the protections of virtually untouched parts of Montana. The Crazies are truly special, and we owe it to our descendants to preserve them as they are and enhance protections wherever possible.

Thank you for your consideration.