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Dear Public and USFS, thank you for this opportunity to comment. I am a resident of Livingston, Montana and visit the Custer Gallatin NF bi-weekly. I am strongly in favor of Option D. Wilderness designation is especially critical for the Gallatin WSA, as it provides crucial habitat for grizzly bears, moose, mountain lion and other wildlife. The Greater Yellowstone Ecoregion is unique and of global significance. All human user-groups of public lands - myself included - have the option to do their business elsewhere in other existing national forest in the near vicinity. The wildlife which depend on the Gallatin WSA do not have this option. Pristine wilderness also benefits the local economy. To recommend anything less than the maximum protection available to the Gallatin WSA would be financially short-sighted and ecologically irresponsible.

Thank you for your consideration. Please do the right thing.