

Interested Person Request

I would like to participate as an interested person in the objection resolution discussions for one or more of the identified objection issues for the Helena-Lewis and Clark Land Management Plan or the regional forester's list of species of conservation concern (SCC).

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Name of lead interested person (if more than one): _____

I am interested in participating in any resolution discussions between the objector(s) and the reviewing official for the following objection issues:

The Rocky Mountain Range Geographic Area, and specifically all Plan Components relating to the Badger Two Medicine (BTM).

Please provide a brief explanation of your interest in the objection(s) and any specific concern(s), including a description of your support or opposition to the objection(s):

We are very concerned about efforts to turn over control of the Badger Two Medicine to the Blackfeet Indian tribe. We feel there has been a lot of misinformation promoted, like it has been said that the Blackfeet have an ongoing treaty in this area from 1895 while the Blackfeet claim that they have treaty rights from 1855. The 1855 treaty had hunting rights that expired after 99 years, so it is not clear that either of these assertions are accurate. Other treaties were never ratified by the Senate. It is one thing for outside parties to claim a treaty still exists, but the government should not promulgate things that are not true. The Plan states the "Management activities shall accommodate Blackfeet tribal member access to the Badger Two Medicine for the exercise of reserved treaty rights" but this language is terribly vague when it there is no apparent agreement on what those rights entail.

Please identify when you commented during the planning process (scoping, draft EIS, and/or final EIS):

East Glacier Holdings, LLC is a property owner with property located inside the boundaries of the Badger Two Medicine Area (i.e., a "private land inholding"). A representative attended a meeting a few years ago, with the date being uncertain.

Signature: 

Send electronic letters requesting recognition as an interested party to: <https://cara.ecosystem-management.org/Public/CommentInput?project=44589>. Electronic submissions must be submitted in a format that is readable with optical character recognition software (e.g., Word, PDF, Rich Text) and must be searchable.

Faxed requests must be submitted to (406) 329-3411. The subject line needs to include "Helena – Lewis and Clark Plan Revision Interested Persons" and should specify the number of pages being submitted.