

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 Custer Gallatin National Forest 2020 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): Quentin Kujala

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

Land management plan direction and use of best available scientific information for wildlife including:

- Identification of species of conservation concern

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):

Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks are the stewards of fish and wildlife in Montana. We wish to help the USFS and objectors find the best solution for identifying species of conservation concern.

Only the objection topics were provided, not the actual objection. Without the latter, we cannot state FWP support or opposition.

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

We provided comments on the draft assessment of current conditions in January 2017, the proposed action in March 2018, and the draft forest plan in June 2019.

Signature:  _____

Send written letters requesting recognition as an interested party to: USDA Forest Service, Objection Reviewing Officer, Northern Region, 26 Fort Missoula Road, Missoula, MT 59804.

Office hours are Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., excluding Federal holidays. Given current health and safety guidelines an appointment must be made in advance to the office you wish to drop your hardcopy at.

Send an electronic submission requesting recognition as an interested party to: <https://cara.ecosystem-management.org/Public/CommentInput?Project=50185> 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. An automated response will confirm that your electronic objection has been received.

Send faxed letters requesting recognition as an interested party to: (406) 329-3411. The fax coversheet must include "Custer Gallatin National Forest Land Management Plan Interested Person" in the subject line and should specify the number of pages being submitted. Individuals who use telecommunication devices for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 between 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, Monday through Friday.