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Re: Comment draft plan - CGNF

Dear Regional Forester Leanne M. Marten and Forest Supervisor Mary C. Erickson,

I am submitting the official signatories' report on American bison a Species of Conservation Concern addressing the Custer Gallatin's proposed action for bison, and the Regional Forester's consideration to evaluate adding American bison to the list of native species of conservation concern in Region 1.

The signatories, two sovereign nations, the Piikani Nation and Crow Creek Sioux Tribe, twenty-three businesses, fifty-seven nonprofit organizations, the Delaware Ecumenical Council, Franciscans for Justice, and 2,221 individuals support the public evaluation of an alternative proposed action for bison (outlined in Ch. 12), and a new evaluation and determination to list American bison as a species of conservation concern on National Forest lands.

The official signatories' report contains additional signatories to the March 1, 2018 report submitted to the Regional Forester, Forest Supervisor, and Forest Plan Revision Team. The official signatories' report also contains the final text. No additional sources or source materials were added. I have included letters from the sovereign nations expressly authorizing Buffalo Field Campaign to include them as official signatories to our report.

Sincerely,

/s/

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