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Comments: I love exploring backcountry trails by mountain bike. I love going on big, long rides with only a small chance of running into another trail user. I love getting out of city limits and exploring a remote Montana landscape. It is maybe my favorite way to ride a bike. It requires excellent bicycle handling skills, strength, endurance, and self reliance. As such, I strongly oppose the Heart Lake Loop trail near Superior, MT being recommended for a Wilderness designation unless a non-motorized travel corridor is established as was done for the adjacent Stateline Trail managed by the Nez Perce-Clearwater National Forest. Additionally, I support the recommendations for the Lolo Creek Geographic Area including the Carlton Ridge to Mill Creek trail as these trails will remain open to bikes. These are remarkable backcountry options located so close to the City of Missoula that help make Missoula a dream location for mountain cycling enthusiast. Finally, I strongly support the recommendation for a Backcountry designation for the Cube Iron Roadless Area, near Thompson Falls, which will maintain primitive characteristics while allowing for bike access. Thank you for providing an opportunity to comment on the proposed actions.