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Comments: Dear Forest Service stewards,

I hope it is possible to protect ALL our remaining Wilderness and ALSO establish the WSA's as official Wilderness-protected for future generations.

Less than 2-3% of land in the lower 48 states remains as wilderness -if for no other reason this is why it is essential we protect it.

Is it really necessary for one species, humans, to use more than 97% of 48 states ?

Is it too much to ask to curb our greed?

Is there no way to cut our wasteful use of forest products?

Is it possible MORE wilderness might be a greater benefit for our selfcentered species anyway?

Humans have changed the planet more than any other species ever-and not in a good way.

Nature is complex and sensitive-the best thing we can do is leave it alone as much as possible.

When I walk through the woods, or look at a tree, I see a miracle-beauty and complexity I know I could never create myself no matter how long i tried. Wilderness must be preserved like the irreplaceable masterpiece it is.

We must not turn MT forests into Europe-as it seems some politicians in MT want to.

We need all the WILD places that remain.

Otherwise I feel very strongly that motorized vehicles already travel thousands of miles of roads-and need to stay OFF forest foot paths-the noise is frightening and destroys the peace and safety of all others using trails-they are NOT part of "nature".

Also, it is time available science be applied to managing public lands in the best interests of buffalo and wild animals rather than the private cattle and sheep owners.

While the "Forest Plan" issues on the table are complex, I think the principles involved are not.

Is Wilderness once gone, replaceable? No.

Can wood products be replaced or found other than in wild places? Yes.

Are there alternative places for humans to use & recreate ? Yes.

Humans, wildlife and future generations gain nothing by the loss of wilderness.

Wilderness will only gain in value and must be protected and preserved as national treasure.

The forest service has a duty to nurture our public lands for present and future generations

-a duty that transcends politics and short term " profits".