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Regarding the GMUG forest plan revision, I would like to see additional Wilderness and additional Wild & Scenic River designation areas in the GMUG revised plan. Such designations are of utmost importance for wildlife and human existence and the health of the forest. I fully support the Citizens' Wilderness and Designations Proposal and would like to see strong standards and guidelines as an integral part of the revised Forest Plan. Forest health is an extremely important issue. The GMUG's forests are changing due to a combination of insect infestation, climate change and drought, but large-scale logging is not the answer -- that's akin to cutting off our legs because we have ticks. Landscape-level conservation is critical as it allows the forest to adapt to changes in a more effective way than heavy-handed management ever could. I also fully support the Gunnison Public Lands Initiative.

Thank you,

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