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Comments: As an avid user of the outdoors, I urge you to recommend additional protections for the wild places in the Custer-Gallatin National Forest. I've spent time in many of these places, including the Crazies, Absaroka-Beartooths and others, and I feel they're among our greatest resources. Montanans enjoy a rich legacy of access to public land of all kinds, and our reserves of wild, unspoiled landscapes should never be taken for granted.

I urge you to add protection for the Crazies, Pryors, Lionhead, A-B, and the Tongue River Breaks, King Mountain and Cook Mountain areas, managing them for their wilderness characteristics to preserve their wild nature. I also ask that you implement the Gallatin Forest Partnership agreement.

Most states would love to have even a fraction of our most wild places. We're the stewards of a heritage for hunters, fishermen, hikers, horsemen and everyone else who loves the wild. Let's keep it that way.