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Dear Custer Gallatin Forest Plan Revision Team

The Absaroka Beartooth as well as the Madison, Henry's Lake and Gallatin Geographic areas are some of the most environmentally valuable places in the Forest. The new forest plan must protect them from growing recreational and climate impacts. ~ 130,00 acres of new wilderness. In addition, protect existing wilderness and recreational hubs by extensively monitoring and managing the growing impacts of recreation and climate change.

In addition, I support the porcupine buffalo horn area as wilderness (Alt E) I support the Hyalite and West Pine Areas watershed, recreation, wildlife management areas

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The Custer Gallatin supports an incredible variety of iconic wildlife species and is key to wildlife movement throughout the landscape. The new forest plan must secure protections outside the grizzly bear recovery zone to facilitate grizzly connectivity to other ecosystems, and support a year-round self-sustaining bison population within tolerance areas. West Pine and Porcupine Buffalo Horn backcountry areas also need wildlife protections mirroring the Cabin Creek Wildlife Management Area, and recreation impacts to wildlife should be monitored.

YES

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The Custer Gallatin's headwater streams provide clean drinking water, abundant fisheries, and critical wildlife habitat. They also have enormous recreational value. The new forest plan must protect our essential outstanding wild rivers by adding Taylor Fork, South Madison and Hellroaring Creek to it's list of 30 wild and scenic recommendations. It must also support the health of all waters by aggressively protecting riverside riparian forests and conducting a new watershed condition assessment.

Yes