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Comments: Dear Forest Supervisor and planning team,

First, thank you for your diligent work, your efforts to find a good way forward for the Custer Gallatin, and for your welcoming of public input.

Second: I strongly support, and urge you to adopt, Alternative D. My reason is my extreme concern for the population viability and continued vitality of the grizzly bear population, both in this forest and (inseparably) throughout the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem. There are many values to be preserved and enjoyed within the national forests generally and the Custer Gallatin in particular. But there is none more unique, more precious, nor more beleaguered than that: the fact that here in the GYE, in Americas great parks and forests, we have a sizable and persisting population of grizzlies. If we let it's habitat be eroded further by human uses, and constrained further by climate change, we could lose the great bear. We must not. Please adopt Alternative D.

And again, thank you for your work and the civic, professional spirit in which you do it. David Quammen