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Comments: I am writing to express my support for Alternative D as an appropriate management option. It is obvious to all that the pressures on resources of all types is increasing. Public lands are desired for all their uses, which is leading to a dramatic loss of potential to protect threatened "charismatic mega fauna" and associated flora and fauna. If we fail to act now to afford the strongest protections possible then we will have permitted great harm. I would ask you as resource managers the following question: "If we can't provide enough resources to maintain our national economic momentum from all the land and oceanic territory now available to us, what will the small sections still left relatively undisturbed actually contribute over the long run to our collective well being?" Thank you for your efforts to come to a reasoned and representative decision. I know it's difficult and trust you will do your best to guide the process to a best possible outcome.