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Comments: As a public land hunter, I see the varied challenges of managing the Crazy Mountains with inholdings of private land and public access disputes. In that regard, I can support the portion of the proposal to exchange public land sections 2 and 12 (Township 2 N., Range 11 E.) for private sections 31 and 33 (Township 3 N., Range 11 E.) and public section 8 (Township 2 N., Range 12 E.) for private section 1 (Township 2 N., Range 11 E.).

We appreciate the continued efforts by the Custer-Gallatin National Forest to consolidate public lands and resolve access issues in the Crazies. However, I cannot fully support the current proposal as written; sacrificing sections 4 and 8 would be significant losses for the public. If those sections are dropped from the proposal, the land transfer would have a much stronger level of support from Montana's hunters. Thank you.