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Comments: I was shocked to learn that the Thunder Basin National Grassland plan is to be changed to allow more livestock grazing. That the Black Footed Ferret is an endangered species and a native of Wyoming's grassland where it inhabits and depends on Prairie Dog colonies for life is a fact. There are very few successful Black Footed Ferret populations and these rare creatures could be wiped out easily. I have never heard that livestock grazing is in any danger and know it can exist in many other areas of Wyoming and neighboring states without destroying Prairie Dog and Black Footed Ferret habitat. It is livestock grazing and its destruction of Prairie Dog colonies that caused the almost complete extinction of the Black Footed Ferret in the first place. Multiple use of our National Forests and Prairies must not be used as an excuse to allow livestock grazing in our public lands where it will wipe out native populations and destroy natural habitats. These public lands belong to all the people for many purposes which may not exist once livestock grazing is allowed to take over.