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Comments: 1. I attended the February 22 open house meeting and expressed my views verbally to five Forest Service individuals. I have utilized Montana and Idaho wilderness areas many times in my life. Below are some general and specific comments.

2. General: I believe we should maximize our remaining wilderness areas and wild & scenic rivers protections. Why? Humanity has already expanded to consume most of the planet. Let us preserve as much possible wildlands for wild animals, plants, natural processes, and human solitude seekers.

3. Specific: Please do not open for motorized and mechanical use the areas in the Great Burn north of Blacklead Mountain and south of Hoodoo Pass.

4. Specific: Please recommend full wilderness area designation for the Mallard-Larkins, Great Burn, and Meadow Creek areas.

5. Specific: Please do not expand areas where snowmobiles are allowed. I have snowmobiled myself, and believe that there are many places available for this fun activity. When backcountry snowshoeing and winter camping I can hear them from miles away and they disturb the winter peace greatly. They also disturb wildlife patterns.

6. General: For the sake of future human generations, and for the sake of wild nature, let us preserve as much untrammled landscapes as possible.

Thank you for considering my views. Lee Silliman