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Comments: Thanks for this final comment opportunity. I will limit my comments to the two areas with which I am most personally familiar- Tenderfoot/ Deep Creek and Badger.

Badger- Two MedicineThe Plan leaves a gap and uncertainty about whether mechanized use (mountain bikes) are allowable in the Badger- Two Medicine. I have traveled the area by foot and horse numerous times for 55 years. Mountain bikes have not traditionally used it. The plan should address the question directly by a clearly stated prohibition of mechanized travel in accord with and honor of the position of the Blackfeet.

Tenderfoot/ Deep CreekAs I mentioned in my previous comments submitted Oct 8, 2018, the long history of retiring private inholdings within these drainages through easements, LWCF funds and Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation assistance should be built upon by designating the Tenderfoot/ Deep Creek as Recommended Wilderness. There are ample miles of designated ATV and motorcycle trails within the area. The balance of the acreage other than the existing motorized trails should be preserved for potential upgrade from mere primitive area to capital W Wilderness by Congressional action.

Additionally, the Plan is deficient in its not addressing mechanized use (mountain bikes). Our family has owned property and horses in this area of the Little Belts for almost a century. I have personally hiked, ridden horses, hunted and fished these areas since I was a kid. Other than on a few system motorized trails, I have not seen mountain bikes in the Tenderfoot/ Deep Creek.

The Plan should specifically preclude their use.