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Comments: Protect habitat and list American bison as a species of conservation concern.

Dear Supervisor Erickson,

As a lover of the outdoor, a supporter of wildlife, and someone who has had the benefit of spending time around Yellowstone's bison herd, I urge you to reconsider the following positions:

I object to your decision for failing to include habitat standards for America bison in the Custer Gallatin land management plan.

I also object to Region One Regional Forester Leanne M. Marten's decision for not designating American bison a species of conservation concern on our National Forests in the Northern region.

Please include habitat standards in the Custer Gallatin land management plan for American bison to freely roam our National Forests in the Yellowstone ecosystem.

Please designate American bison a species of conservation concern to ensure a viable future for the migratory giants on our National Forests.

The distinct and unique American bison herds remaining in the wild deserve standards and legal designations securing their presence on our National Forests for future generations.

Sincerely, Samuel Murch 1227 Anita Ave Ojai, CA 93023