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Comments: I strongly object to Forest Supervisor Mary C. Erickson's decision not to include standards protecting American bison habitat, and Northern Region Regional Forester Leanne M. Marten's decision not to designate them a species of conservation concern, both of which have broad public and tribal support.

I object to both the Custer Gallatin Land Management Plan and the Regional Forester's list of species of concern.

I call upon both plans to include strong standards for protecting American bison habitat as well as designating American bison as a species of conservation concern.

American bison are a native species and they are crucial to a healthy ecosystem that we all depend on. For this reason I am stating my objections and my proposed solutions. This objection is consistent with my prior formal comments.