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

Dear Supervisor Erickson,

The American bison is a cherished national symbol and also very important to native Americans. Since people were responsible for causing their near extinction, we owe it to them to live in peace. To better survive in the Yellowstone area, they need room to roam further north. Please don't take this northern area away from their safe habitat.

I object to your decision for failing to include habitat standards for American 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,

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