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Comments: I am very opposed to the proposed revisions contained in the "Rangeland Management Directives". This Trump administration proposal runs directly counter to the Biden administration's 30 x 30 land conservation agenda by sacrificing what could be protected lands to the commercial livestock industry. Our public lands belong to all citizens and their right to experience pristine national forests and especially Wilderness and the wildlife these wild places support. These lands should not be given over to one sector's abuse.

I lived for 20 years within the Kootenai National Forest in northwest Montana and personally witnessed the irreparable damage that can occur in leased grazing lands on our national forests. I saw sensitive plants and native vegetation obliterated around a natural pond and riparian area. Also I saw how easily noxious weeds were spread in cows' manure and on their bodies.

The recovery of threatened or imperiled species needs to be prioritized on national forests and livestock grazing should be managed so as not to jeopardize species' recovery. Excluding the public from some grazing decision processes is also completely unacceptable.

Please fulfill your mandate to protect Wilderness, other public lands and wildlife by dropping the proposed "Rangeland Management Directives".