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Comments: Dear Sirs:

I strongly believe that the final plan must include significantly more wilderness. Regarding the Gunnison Public Lands Initiative (GPLI) or Community Conservation Proposal: These must be better reflected - and incorporated - in the final plan recommendations.

The Alternative B draft plan prioritizes logging over conservation. I strongly disagree with this.

The draft plan does not adequately protect the diversity of imperiled species that occupy the GMUG.

I do agree that there is significant increase in lands identified as Wildlife Management Areas (which will provide for some wildlife protection), the addition of Anthracite Creek to the Wild & Scenic River eligibility list, and the attention given in the plan to addressing recreation impacts. But these favorable provisions do not outweigh the lack of expanded wilderness recommendations, massive increase in lands suitable for timber harvest, the poor protection for rare wildlife species, and other issues. Substantial changes in the draft plan are thus needed.

Thank you very much, Arleen Richter