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Comments: The South Plateau Area Landscape Treatment Project #57353 (SPLAT) should not move forward. We need to be doing more to protect wildlife and wild habitats. Putting in another road for a colossal amount of logging is one of the worst possible ideas for the American taxpayer and our land. We are in the middle of the earth's 6th MASS EXTINCTION event. We need to be doing everything in our power to protect wild areas and stop this MASS EXTINCTION before we are the ones going extinct.

This plan is not well thought out on many fronts. Below are some examples:

SPLAT Will greatly effect the wild bison from Yellowstone. They aren't mentioned anywhere in the Forest Service's sparse documentation of the proposal - the roadbuilding, logging, and burning will occur in or near habitat for a wide diversity of threatened wildlife species, including grizzlies, lynx, and wolverines. According to a recent report, wildlife populations have already been reduced by an average of 80% in just the past 50 years, in large part due to habitat destruction and degradation like SPLAT. We can't afford to loose more wildlife over a wasteful logging project.

Prescribed burns proposed in SPLAT are a TERRIBLE idea. Fire can be beneficial for habitat in the range of migratory buffalo, but it needs to be used in a manner that doesn't draw buffalo onto or across highways. This plan doesn't take any of this into account. This is hazardous to drivers, bison and many other creatures. According to insurance statistics, Montana is the worst state for animal collision fatalities.

More roads should be removed - not built - to provide secure habitat for grizzly bear, moose, and elk, and reduce sediment running into creeks and rivers in Hebgen Basin. Building 71 miles of roads - the equivalent of building a road from West Yellowstone to Ennis, Montana is unconscionable at this time.

Please go back to the drawing board and reevaluate what is being done. Climate Change and MASS EXTINCTION are here. It is up to us to stop and slow this process before it is too late for all.