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Comments: West Yellowstone, MT. In the newly proposed South Plateau Landscape Area Treatment Project (SPLAT), the U.S. Forest Service is proposing to punch 56 miles of roads into the Hebgen Basin in order to log, bulldoze and/or burn 23 square miles of prime wildlife habitat, extracting over 80 million board feet of timber. That amount of logging would require about 25,000 logging trucks to haul out of the forest.

"This is a massive road building and logging project," according to Darrell Geist, Buffalo Field Campaign's habitat coordinator. "It's in Hebgen Basin where migratory buffalo roam the National Forest, and where the Custer Gallatin is undertaking another project to log nearly 9 square miles of wildlife habitat and plow over 15 miles of roads into the buffalo's winter range and spring calving grounds." Yellowstone's bison are a candidate species for listing as threatened under the Endangered Species Act.