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Comments: This land swap plays solely into the hands of wealthy non-residents of the YC and the forest service has the responsibility to safeguard the publics land and resources neither of which would be upheld if this goes through. The negative impact on hunting opportunity and the public access that will be severely limited by this swap cannot be ignored. The private land gained deep in the crazies rarely sees public use anyway and the narrative behind why this is a good idea is only believable if you have no idea what you are giving up for what you gain. As the agency that represents, manages, and  protects this land it is your responsibility to stop Montana from being bought and sold to the 1% and keep this land for those that live in, work in, and build Montana every day. Without representative organizations like USFS standing up for its constituents there is nothing stopping the privatization and monetization of the public land and resources that so many of us live to enjoy.