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Comments: I am writing to object to the land exchange proposal in the Crazy Mountains. This exchange runs counter to the goals of improving public access in the region and heavily favors the private landowners on the other size of the transaction.

The acres that we are giving to private ownership include miles of fishable streams and quality low-land wildlife habitat. And in exchange we are getting higher, steeper, less productive habitat. There are historic trails and administrative roads that we are losing, which help public access to the acreage, and in exchange we are receiving only one trail. Over 40 acres of wetlands will lose federal protection.

Additionally this is terribly poor financial transaction, with an overall imbalance in water rights and a severe reduction in mineral rights value.

As a concerned outdoorsman and public citizen I cannot support this short-sighted and unequal land exchange.

Thank you for your consideration.