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Comments: I am a landowner on the west side of the Crazies, have long recreated in the Crazies, and am very knowledgeable of public and private issues of land sales. I speak in OPPOSITION to the land exchange because it is a clear case of the public relinquishing valuable and accessible forested sections for alpine sections that are largely inaccessible to the general public and not as rich in wildlife, trees, and meadows. This is definitely a losing proposal for the public, and it is a travesty of stewardship for the Forest Service to endorse this exchange. I remember when the area along the West Fork of the Gallatin and its adjacent forests and meadows were public lands that were subsequently traded for railroad-owned alpine peaks so that Chet Huntley and Chrysler could develop Big Sky and the subsequent Yellowstone Club. Resorts like that are fine projects, but NOT at the expense of public land exchanges that sacrifice the public trust for private privilege.