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Comments: Dear sir,
I am writing to object to the proposed land swap and trail to access sweet grass creek.

I think the Yellowstone club land trade should be limited to the Forest region around Big sky and not to lands the club chooses in other districts. Big money should not influence land public land ownership in Montana.

On the proposed trail from below the guest ranch on Big Timber creek to Sweetgrass creek, this trail is too long and not accessible for most people looking to get to Sweetgrass creek. Long term trail maintenance will be an issue and still there will be a just a long, long ways to go to actually access the creek on Sweetgrass as it is usually dry from Eagle park to the guest ranch private lands.
There is fairly good access from the West side to the camp fire lakes and upper Sweetgrass and the guest ranch has allowed by permission reasonable access to the trail up the creek by the old Ward Sawmill.

While the proposal consolidates the land ownership, it in reality does not in any sense provide usable access to The bottom of Sweetgrass creek.

Please reject this proposal. The only true beneficiary of the plan would be the Yellowstone club.