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Comments: As the current owner of a portion of the oldest water right on the Sweet Grass Creek, I am concerned that this settlement could significantly damage our oldest established water right. This could be terribly detrimental to our ranch and am therefore opposed to the current proposed land exchange. In addition I am an active fisherman and, considering our current stream access law, this would seem to negate my access to fish this portion of the stream. For a wide variety of other reasons, I am opposed to this proposed land exchange. It seems unfair in terms of loss of current public lands, timber rights, and access. I think we should be able to come up with a more equitable proposal for the general public than this offering.