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Comments: Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this proposal. The Crazy Mountains are a special place in Montana with unique natural features and refuge for wildlife. As a Montana resident and proponent for public access, I oppose this proposal.

In reviewing this this proposal, it does not increase or ensure access to the Crazy Mountains for the public. This instead relinquishes public to access the existing Sweet Grass Trail #122.

In exchange for eliminating public access to the Crazy Mountains via Sweet Grass Trail #122, this proposal will construct an unnecessary 22-mile trail detour on the Eastern front, forcing all recreationalists to enter the crazies from one access point. Not a good deal for any member of the public and this will likely have a negative environmental impact.

The Forest Service should work for retaining and guaranteeing public access, not giving it up. This includes working to guarantee the public access to the Crazy Mountains in the Sweetgrass Creek drainage sections 07, 08, 09, and 10.

Unfortunately, it seems this proposal is not about increasing or securing public access, and it is instead about corporate acquisition of public land in Big Sky. The proposal should not involve the Crazy Mountains. Giving up unique land resources and a public access point to the Crazy Mountains via Sweetgrass Creek so that the Yellowstone Club in Big Sky can expand seems like a terrible precedent.

Please reconsider this proposal.

Sincerely,

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