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Comments: Please protect and preserve public access to the riparian areas of Sweet Grass creek. While consolidation of public lands is a good goal, it must not be attained by relinquishing easements and access to the family friendly lowland Sweet Grass valley, moving the backcountry access to new, much longer , mountainside trails that many of us cannot traverse, and essentially funneling all the summer vehicle traffic on the entire east side of the Crazies into the Big Timber drainage. We depend on our forest service to preserve our established trails. This proposal does not enhance public enjoyment of our beloved Crazy Mountains. It does serve to please private landowners by "trading" away some of the best hunting and front country recreation areas that we will loose in perpetuity should the proposal proceed as currently structured.