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Comments: This comment is in support of Alternative B. The first and foremost reason for support is the collaborative nature of this Alternative. The work that has been done here is in my opinion how problems should be solved. The individuals that put forward the long hours and hard work should be celebrated and this win/win proposal needs to become reality.

I have spent 16 years working as a Game Warden and Regional Access Coordinator for both Wyoming and Montana, I now make my living ranching in Montana and have always been an avid hunter and outdoorsman. I have hunted this checkerboard land at the base of the Crazies that is up for exchange so I am familiar with the area. My unique background and knowledge of the area tells me this proposal is the only way to go.

I know this is anything but simple, but if a person really stands back and looks at what is being given up and what is being gained, this Alternative B is a no brainer. The consolidation of land from checker board to a large contiguous block of public land is a win for recreationists and the wildlife that call it home. The roadless nature of this block of land is priceless as well. The one thing they aren't making any more of is contiguous chunks of roadless public lands that protect wildlife and habitat.

Please reward all of the hard work that has been done by government officials, landowners, recreationists, wildlife organizations and Indigenous people and make this collaboration become a reality.

Not very often is there a true win/win for the people, the land and the wildlife, this is one of those unique times so do not miss this opportunity to make it happen.

Thank you for your time and consideration.