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Comments: As an American person, I strongly support the Locke Park Land Exchange! The benefit to the American people is clearly outlined in the Benefits of the Land Exchange document. The benefits to Rainbow Trail Lutheran Camp is also clearly outlined. This is a win win situation to both parties and the American people! The exchange benefits all parties and does not violate ANY aspect of the National Forest and provides many benefits to the National Forest and the American public.

This exchange provides a wonderful opportunity for land conservation. This exchange will provide the American people an inholding in the environmentally sensitive Locke Park boundary in exchange for a parcel that has already been privately developed and used for many years. The Locke Park boundary provides habitat to numerous sensitive species and if this exchange is approved, the area would continue to support these species instead of private development.

Rainbow Trail Lutheran Camp will voluntarily grant a perpetual conservation easement to ensure access and limit the development of the area. This will ensure the forest and area will remain as the beautiful natural area it is. As defined in the exchange, right of way will be maintained allowing public access that currently exists. Rainbow Trail has been a steward of the public lands for many years and will continue to provide that to the American people as shown by the voluntary grant of a perpetual conservation easement.

I believe this is a very good agreement for the American people AND a good agreement for the many families and children and FUTURE families that attend Rainbow Trail Lutheran camp. I have had the opportunity to be a part of this forest and Rainbow Trail for the last 22 years. Our future and our forests belongs to those who recognize the beauty, know what we need to do to protect it, and work together to make that happen. I hope that my next generation can enjoy the beauty and experience that I have been able to enjoy at Rainbow Trail Lutheran camp! AND that habitat and forests can continue to be protected through land exchanges such as this.

Thank you, Donna Hayden