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Comments: I'm a human on planet earth, so I recognize how important it is to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. That's one reason I strongly support the administration's proposal to enact a 20 year ban on drilling and mining activities on 225,000 acres of publicly owned National Forest land in the Thompson Divide. As your report says: "The proposed (ban) would protect the agricultural, ranching, wildlife, air quality, recreation, ecological and scenic values of the Thompson Divide area for both intrinsic and economic value to local communities." The benefits to air quality, wildlife habitat, watersheds, wilderness corridors, and our climate would be immediate and worthwhile. We have a responsibility to take care of the earth, so let's do this!

Hunting, fishing, ranching, and recreation in the Thompson Divide area support nearly 300 jobs and \$30 million in annual economic output for local communities. These sustainable uses should be prioritized over destructive practices of mining and fossil fuel extraction on our publicly owned lands.