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Comments: As a Mainer living adjacent to a Land Trust, I recognize the importance of preserving the wilderness and of the destruction caused by human recreational use. Hence, I urge the Forest Service to fulfill its responsibility to preserve the wilderness character of the Bob Marshall Wilderness Complex, and not to promote any particular use, such as outfitting/guiding.

The Bob Marshall Wilderness Complex Outfitter and Guide Permit Reauthorization must include site-specific information.

The following information should be available for public review on the website and must also extend the public comment period for another 45 days after information is published :

- permitted service days versus actual use for each permit

- annual inspections, performance evaluations, or public complaints related to each campsite or operator

- any NEPA documents and related decisions dealing with outfitting service levels or allocation in the Bob Marshall Wilderness Complex

- the Bob Marshall Wilderness Complex Character Narrative

- 2017 needs assessment and extent necessary documentation

- Campsite Management Plans for each outfitter camp

Because of the many impacts outfitting has on the Wilderness, the Forest Service must not use a Categorical Exclusion (CE) to renew any outfitter permits. An Environmental Assessment or Environmental Impact Statement with accompanying public input is called for to properly protect this fabled Wilderness Complex.

Thank you for taking the right steps to preserve the wilderness.