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Comments: I am writing to urge the Forest Service to protect wilderness character in the Bob Marshall Wilderness Complex as it considers outfitter permits. Please exercise your responsibility to preserve the wilderness character of the Bob Marshall Wilderness Complex above any effort to promote other uses, such as outfitting or guiding. The Bob Marshall Wilderness Complex Outfitter and Guide Permit Reauthorization lacks site-specific information, despite requesting site-specific comments. It should make specific details available on its website for the public to review and extend the public comment period for 45 days after it is made available. This details should include 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 and Campsite Management Plans for each outfitter camp. An Environmental Assessment or Environmental Impact Statement with accompanying public input is called for to properly protect this inportant Wilderness Complex. The Forest Service must not use a Categorical Exclusion (CE) to renew any outfitter permits.