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Comments: My comments today are regarding the Bob Marshall Wilderness Complex. In my opinion, the Forest Service's chief responsibility is to preserve the wilderness character of this special place. As such, it is not the purview of the Forest Service to encourage and popularize specific uses of this area such as outfitting and guiding. In this regard, the Bob Marshall Wilderness Complex Outfitter and Guide Permit Reauthorization lacks site-specific information even though site-specific comments were requested. Thus, the Forest Service should make the following information available for public review on its website:

- 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

Lastly, I am strongly opposed to the Forest Service using a Categorical Exclusion (CE) to renew any outfitter permits. Due to the multitude of impacts outfitting has on Wilderness, An Environmental Assessment or Environmental Impact Statement with accompanying public input is necessary to protect the integrity and wildness of the Bob Marshall Wilderness Complex.

Thank you.