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Comments: Dear Sir's/Madam's,

As a lover of wild places and wilderness, I feel compelled to contact you reference outfitter permitting concerning the Bob Marshal Wilderness Complex. I have been there, camped there, been inspired there. What a magnificent part of our world! Wilderness is an amazing place where native plants and animals should have the space and safety to thrive, and Americans should have the opportunity to enjoy as wilderness. Though I am not against outfitters outright, I do not feel that the Forest Service should favor outfitters at the expense of wilderness or the public, nor should the Forest Service abandon their responsibility of preserving wilderness for this and future generations of Americans. After all, outfitters do not create wilderness, they use it and regulation should ensure that outfitters use wilderness wisely, not abuse it.

Concerning the Bob Marshal Wilderness Complex and guiding permit reauthorization, the Forest Service must make the following information available for the public to review on its website and must extend the public comment period for another 45 days after the information is published on the 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

It is not wise for the Forest Service to simply use a "Categorical Exclusion" to renew any outfitter permits. Environmental Impact Statements with Accompanying public input is needed to properly protect this and other Wilderness complexes. Please do right by the American people and not simply pander to outfitters.

Thank you for your consideration.