Data Submitted (UTC 11): 1/30/2024 7:14:42 PM

First name: Susanna Last name: Marshland

Organization:

Title:

Comments: I believe more transparency is needed in order for the public to understand what outfitters might benefit from the current proposal, and what the outfitters' impact on the wilderness would be. Given 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.

To enable more thoughtful public input and wilderness impact planning the Forest Service should make the following information available for public review on its website and also extend the public comment period accordingly:

- 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