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Comments: To Whom It May Concern:

I have hiked, camped and spent many days and weeks enjoying our nation's wilderness areas in my lifetime and I am writing to advocate for more stringent oversight to be included in the Bob Marshall Complex Outfitters Guide Reauthorization. We all know the damage pack animals inflict on trails. The wear and tear on trails, the use of backcountry structures and the excessive numbers and size of large parties must be strictly controlled and publicly reported. Stronger oversight and pertinent environmental review is imperative to preserve the integrity and character of the wilderness. The same should be said for open and public access to agency decisions and supportive data. Categorical Exclusion should never be used.

Please do the right thing, for the wilderness has no voice of its own.