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Comments: "There is a need to reduce wildfire risk, mange timber stands, and manage transportation in the project area" These goals are outrageous - not one word about wildlife displacement, viewscape to the public and more roads that forever affect wildlife migration and life. Are you living in the dark ages by clear-cutting!!! The federal government spent millions of dollars removing the diaper line of the Gallatins to the public. The Tobacco Roots are a gorgeous set of mountains in the Gallatin Valley viewscape, hiking, camping, hunting area. You already have too much motorized access and have ruined opportunities for the public to engage in quiet recreation. There is not proof that purposely burning landscapes prevents other fires. If there are homes that are near the area, they need to fireproof their own properties and not use public funds. Ecologist George Wuerthner has tons of proof of these human started fire-prevention fires that do not work. We are in the midst of climate change - warming, drought, high winds, etc. Natural forest fires happen naturally and especially during climate warming. You need to do a full EIS for the entire Tobacco Mountains so you can fully analyze all impacts on all types of wildlife, culture, quiet recreation, roads, migration routes, birds, fisheries, insects, plants, etc. Your current plan is just another piece meal attempt to serve commercial interests instead of the nature your are supposed make #1 priority. Stop this insanity and ruination of one of our sacred mountain ranges in southwest Montana.