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Comments: I believe the proposed winter shelters in the MBRD will economically benefit the commercial guide services who operate the shelters while negatively impacting the natural environment and the experience of non-paying users traveling in nearby areas. Significant hazards exist at some of the proposed shelter locations. The risk to the MBRD from a liability and resource management standpoint seems to far outweigh any small economic benefit (fees) that the MBRD will receive from the guides/outfitters. I'm generally opposed to measures that allow private companies to exploit, and thereby alter, the natural environment for economic gain.

-How will the guides/outfitters be monitored for compliance with their permit?

-What conflicts will arise with other users in the area who are not paying for access to the shelters?

-How does this proposal benefit the MBRD and ALL forest users beyond minimal economic gain from fees?

-How will the presence of these shelters alter the wilderness environment for other users, wildlife, and the ecosystem as a whole?