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Comments: I believe habitat protection on the Flathead River can't wait, and immediate action is needed to preserve the wild nature of the Bob Marshall Wilderness Complex. Recreation is displacing wildlife, and the Forest Service must use scientific data to set responsible user limits. Flights in and out of Schafer Airstrip are harming the Middle Fork of the Flathead and need to be addressed now. Most river use should be for the public, with commercial outfitting limited to what is truly "necessary and proper." Data collection must cover the entire Flathead River corridor, and impacts along the South Fork must be brought into compliance with the Wilderness Management Plan. If we don't act now, we risk losing what makes these places truly wild.