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Comments: The Bob Marshall Wilderness Complex needs immediate habitat protection on the Flathead River to protect its ecosystem. The ecosystem is already experiencing disruption due to overuse and too many people behaving irresponsibly.

Consequently, the Forest Service needs accurate current data regarding user number, and Immediate action is critical to address wildlife displacement in Wilderness already caused by current numbers. Data collection and analysis needs to include the entirety of the Flathead River corridor, one-quarter mile to either side of the river.

The vast majority of use on the wild rivers should be allocated to public use, and commercial interests should be limited to only the minimum level, as required by the Wilderness Act. Immediate action is needed to reduce impacts to the Middle Fork of the Flathead caused by flights in and out of Schafer airstrip in the Great Bear Wilderness. Airstrips are not allowed in Wilderness areas at all, and ideally the Schafer airstrip should be removed.

Immediate action is needed to bring the impacts along the South Fork of the Flathead into compliance with the area's Wilderness Management Plan.