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First name: John and Ann

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Organization:

Title:

Comments: To whom it may concern,

Our names are John and Ann Graham, and we are full-time, year-round residents of Silver Gate, MT and have lived here since 1984. Our family operated an outfitting business here for years, taking people horseback riding in Yellowstone and the surrounding area.

We formally object to this project in its current form.

We are concerned that the widespread and long term impact of this project will have negative effects on the quality of life here and there is no guarantee that the treatments proposed will protect our area in the event of a catastrophic wildfire event.

The scope of the project is too large for most folks to wrap their minds around, and seems to lack focus. We are concerned about the Whitebark Pine, and the fact that even a little disturbance can disrupt an already healthy Whitebark/Subalpine Fir forest.

We are concerned about the visual impact of a logging operation will have on the views around here. This Valley's economy is entirely based on our natural beauty and abundant resources. This may well be our last 10 years being able to live here full time, and the last thing we want to hear daily is logging crews and machines tearing up the forest around us,

As avid hunters, hikers, and wildlife watchers, we are concerned about the impact this project will have on the already fragile presence of species such as Ruffed grouse, Moose, migratory elk, and a host of other wildlife.

We support selective clearing around electrical lines, service roads, and ingress/egress for emergency crews.

Thank you for your consideration