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Comments: The bordering areas of the Bob Marshall Wilderness complex, Glacier National Park and Waterton National Park cumulatively preserve nearly 3 million acres of continuous wild habitat in the Crown of the Continent Ecosystem. This wild corridor supports countless vulnerable endemic species and preserves our own access to every-dwindling wild lands.

Roadlessness is one of the most critical characteristics of this area, even where official roadless rules aren't in place. Roads introduce noise, dust, erosion risks, and change the movement patterns of wild animals. They are transformative to habitat.

I am happy to hear of the Forest Service's goals of White Bark Pine restoration in this area, but am alarmed by the proposal for as much as 400 acres of commercial logging and over 7 miles of new road. The relative rarity of this kind of continuous habitat is striking. The 3 million connected wild acres we have pale in comparison to the hundreds of millions already sacrificed at the altar of private industry and economic incentives.

I extend my thanks to the Forest Service for its focus on habitat restoration and preservation in this area, and ask that the environmental impacts of such a project - specifically the presence of commercial logging activity and installation of new roads - be carefully considered.