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Comments: Dear Forest Service:

Thank you for taking the time to listen to this comment. The logging project in the Gardiner/Jardine/Yellowstone region is out of place. I encourage you to seek logs in areas that have been previously logged. Please leave the watersheds that flow into Yellowstone National Park and the Upper Yellowstone River alone. Rare species such as the lynx, grizzly bear, wolf, and wolverine utilize these forests. Furthermore, these forests help to keep the snowpack intact and help with water conservation and river flows. Additionally, this project threatens clean water in the streams and rivers in the region. Logging usually creates runoff of soils that threaten tree regeneration and also the clear water needed for a robust fishery. This also threatens the economy of the region. The greater Yellowstone is a tourist economy, fueled by fishermen and by tourists seeking out solitude, respite in nature, and rare wildlife viewing. Please consider the impacts to this region when considering whether a few big douglas firs are worth the larger impact to the region. Also, the impact of the logging trucks rolling down the Jardine Road and through Gardiner are not only unsightly for a preservation area but dangerous to passersby. Thank you.