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Comments:

I support Alternative D for practically all aspects of the Plan. The entire CGNF, especially the western half, is experiencing unparalleled population growth of year-round and seasonal residents. Tourism has grown steadily since the last last Plan was adopted, and usage has kept pace as well. Impacts from humans have exacted their toll on resource use, erosion, water quality and enjoyment of the viewscape and the combined natural and human experience. Adding to these pressures is climate change, irrefutable in its impact, its proof scientifically and empirically non-debatable, which has changed the rules of behavior for apex predators and their prey alike. We only have one Gallatin; one Custer and one of each of the new satellite areas. The base options and the other three alternatives simply don't advocate or prescribe long-term, multi-generational strategies for protecting resources, wisely utilizing resources and identifying contingencies and impacts that we all can't surmise or even fantasize in this year of 2019. Will this Plan carry us another 40 years to 2059? I sometimes use a corny analogy: that of barbecuing a steak. Better to grill it on the more rare side, because if it's too raw, you can always throw it back on the grill. The opposite isn't possible. Great luck with your tireless and sustained efforts on behalf of us all. I appreciate your collective devotion to your mission and the work that you do.