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One of the reasons we live in MT is the diversity of its wildlife.

I support Alternative D of the Custer Gallatin Forest Plan for the following reasons:

D) best protects a sizeable percentage of wilderness suitable as habitat for the diverse wildlife in the Gallatin range and regions of Custer Gallatin (Crazies).

D) would not allow motorized or mechanized recreation, nor would it allow aircraft landing strips. Motorized recreation and landing strips are not conducive to the Gallatin Range as critical habitat for the unique wildlife of this area which includes everything from grizzlies to wolverines.

D) suggests the strongest possibility for supporting a self-sustaining bison population in the Gallatins.

D) protects wildlife connectivity between the Greater Yellowstone area and the Salmon-Selway region, of the few areas still providing movement for wildlife needing secure habitat.

As effects of climate change increase, large, intact wild areas will become of utmost importance to ensure healthy populations of the Yellowstone region's unique (and often endangered) wildlife.