



Support a Community-Led Solution for Public Access

The U.S. Forest Service is currently considering whether to advance the citizen-proposed East Crazy Inspiration Divide Land Exchange.

This land exchange would dramatically improve the status-quo by consolidating and unlocking public access to thirty square miles of public lands on the eastern side of the Crazy Mountains. It would also consolidate public lands near Inspiration Divide in the Madison Range near Big Sky, Montana.



Comment Today in Support of Alternative B!

To support community-led solutions that dramatically improve conditions on the ground, please comment in support of **Alternative B, before December 23rd**. You can comment online [through the Forest Service comment portal](#). *Comments can also be mailed to this address - ATTN: Forest Supervisor Mary Erickson, PO Box 130, Bozeman, MT 59771.*

Talking Points to Support Alternative B

Feel free to draw on the points below to reinforce why Alternative B is good for wildlife, public access, and will provide new opportunities for the next generation of public land users:

I support the consolidation of public lands and roadless habitat



Alternative B would consolidate public lands. The public would acquire 5,825 acres of private 'checkerboard' inholdings in Montana's Crazy Mountains in exchange for 3,635 acres on the exterior of the range. That would create a 30-square mile contiguous block of public land, increasing the overall roadless area to 10,640 acres.

I support permanently resolving public access trail disputes

The status-quo just isn't working. Alternative B would resolve a long-simmering dispute over the legality and location of trail #136, by constructing a new 22-mile trail in the Crazy Mountains. The proposed trail would cross several miles of newly consolidated public lands and facilitate access to 6.2 miles of fish-bearing perennial creeks including Amelong Creek, Dry Creek, Otter Creek, Roaring Creek, Bruin Creek and Sweet Grass Creek, an area where access is currently severely limited. The new trail would create a missing link to establish a 40-mile loop trail circuit in the Crazy Mountains.

I support sacred and cultural values in the Crazy Mountains

The Crazy Mountains are a significant cultural landscape to many Indigenous peoples and were recently designated as an "area of tribal importance" in the Forest Plan. Alternative B would permanently protect Crazy Peak, an important vision quest site, with conservation easements and allow access to the Apsaalooké Crow for the continuation of cultural practices.

I support opening Smeller Lake for public use

Alternative B would permanently open Smeller Lake up for public use and enjoyment. A 640-acre parcel containing the lake is now included in the land exchange, converting an additional private inholding in the interior of the Crazy Mountain Range to public land.

