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Sportsmen/women, get involved

Dear Editor,

If you hunt elk or mule deer in the Missouri Breaks south of the river (especially HD 410), or ever wanted to, now is a critical time. The BLM is creating a new Resource Management Plan that will determine the management of most of these lands for the next 20 years. For sportsmen, it's important that the BLM recognizes that this area contains some of the best backcountry big game hunting on public lands anywhere in the world and considers that as they develop the management plan.

Most hunters in the Missouri Breaks would agree that the BLM has done a pretty good job of managing these lands for multiple use, so far. We have the access, the hunting and wildlife, the grazing, the big open spaces and the freedom to enjoy them. What is critical right now is that we act decisively to make sure we keep them in a fast-changing and unpredictable world. Please get involved! Write to the Lewistown BLM and ask that these backcountry lands and the hunting they support be recognized and conserved in the new plans. Send comments to: Lewistown RMP, BLM Lewistown Field Office, 920 NE Main, Lewistown, MT 59457 or faxed to: 406-538-1904. Comments may also be submitted via email to: blm_mt_Lewistown_RMP@blm.gov.

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