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Rose, Sharon

From: Todd Skibbe <todds kibbe@hotmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, June 13, 2018 5:08 PM
To: Rose, Sharon
Subject: 01 (Skibbe)--Public Comment - Dry Cottonwood Creek and Deer Lodge River Ranches

Hello,

I strongly support conservation easements for the Dry Cottonwood Creek and Deer Lodge River Ranches.

Thanks,
Todd Skibbe
Alberton, MT

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Rose, Sharon

From: otisranch@wispwest.net
Sent: Saturday, June 16, 2018 8:35 AM
To: Rose, Sharon
Subject: 02 (Otis)--Public Comment: Securing Public Access on Dry Cottonwood and DL River Ranches Draft EA

Name: Bert Otis

City: Emigrant

Dear Fish Wildlife & Parks Commission,

I support Alternative B for the FWP acceptance of an assignment of public hunting and river recreational access rights in perpetuity from MLR on The Ranches. I see no negatives for this proposal.

Thank You

This e-mail was generated from the 'Securing Public Access on Dry Cottonwood and DL River Ranches Draft EA' Public Notice Web Page.

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From: vincecolucci@msn.com
Sent: Sunday, July 8, 2018 7:12 AM
To: Rose, Sharon
Subject: 03 (Colucci)--Public Comment: Securing Public Access on Dry Cottonwood and DL River Ranches Draft EA

Name: Vince Colucci

City: Missoula

This is a good idea, however, i would opine that no motorized vehicles or off-road vehicle access be allowed to protect the riparian nature and reduce pressure on the wildlife.

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Public Hearing for:
Proposal for FWP to Accept Assignment (delegation) of the
"Right of Public Access" Component of a Conservation Easement to be held by
Montana Land Reliance on the
Dry Cottonwood Creek & Deer Lodge River Ranches in Deer Lodge County
June 26, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in Deer Lodge (Elk's Lodge)

Questions, Issues

- Concern about firearms on the river by a neighbor, when people shoot toward Interstate Highway 90 (I-90) or houses. Worry about inexperienced hunters.
- Gary Ouldhouse asked if the landowner will get Block Management impact payment and he supports that.
- What signage FWP would ensure

Testimony

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1. Dave Stone. Support.

- Good because the Conservation Easement (CE) will draw a different kind of land purchaser that will like to keep the property open.

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2. Gary Ouldhouse representing Anaconda Sportsman Club. Supports.

- Access is our interest always.
- In the future the land could be subdivided, so it's best to have this CE for our generation and generations to come.

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3. Evan Johnston, nearby landowner. [believe he's NW of, and across I-90 to, the NW-most corner of the proposed CE land]

- **Formal objection to large caliber firearms in the river recreation area.**

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4. Frank Slaughter. Support

- I support because it guarantees access for the youth.

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5. Carl Hamming. Support

- It's a win/win guarantee for local residents and [it's] going back to a working ranch.
- I'm confident that FWP and landowners will address concerns of neighboring landowner [Johnston].