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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Upper Thompson - Phase 1

I move that the Fish and Wildlife Commission approve the purchase of the Upper Thompson CE – Phase 1 as proposed.

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## Q3

**Respondent skipped this question**

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## #2

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### Q1

Contact information

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### Q2

Please comment on Upper Thompson - Phase 1

This is a fantastic project to permanently conserve an amazing undeveloped landscape. For the sake of wildlife habitat, fish habitat, and water quality protection, let's get this done!

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### Q3

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# #3

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## Q1

Contact information

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## Q2

Please comment on Upper Thompson - Phase 1

This proposed conservation easement is fantastic, and should be supported by the Commissioners. The Thompson is an amazing minimally-developed landscape and this is the final piece of the puzzle to permanently conserve this treasure.

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## Q3

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### Q1

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### Q2

Please comment on Upper Thompson - Phase 1

I support the Upper Thompson - Phase 1 conservation easement. These easements are a huge win for public access, sustainable supply for the timber industry, and habitat.

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### Q3

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**Q1**

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**Q2**

Please comment on Upper Thompson - Phase 1

I am strongly in favor of this acquisition. Substantial amounts of privately held land are being closure to public access. This is a step towards maintaining the status quo on land access for the public.

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**Q3**

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**Q1**

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**Q2**

Please comment on Upper Thompson - Phase 1

I would like to see the purchase of the Conservation Easement approved.

I believe we need to protect as much land from future development as possible. Having areas for future generation's to recreate on as well as areas of non developed wildlife habitat to me is something worth spending funds on.

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**Q3**

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**Q1**

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**Q2**

Please comment on Upper Thompson - Phase 1

I am providing this comment in support of the Upper Thompson Conservation Easement.

This conservation easement will be a massive win for hunter, anglers, and anyone who enjoys Montana's outdoors. With wide support from numerous organizations I hope that this is a no-brainer to approve.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

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**Q3**

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**Q1**

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**Q2**

Please comment on Upper Thompson - Phase 1

Chair Robinson, Commissioners -

On behalf of the Montana Wildlife Federation (MWF), Montana's oldest and largest hunter and angler-based conservation group, please accept these comments in full support of the Montana Upper Thompson Conservation Easement – Phase 1.

The 34,610-acre conservation easement will provide invaluable wildlife habitat and connectivity, as well as outdoor recreation opportunities for the public. Added to the adjacent properties that have also been conserved in perpetuity, this addition would bring the total in the area to more than 300,000 connected acres.

These diverse timber lands in NW Montana are home to moose, elk, black bear, mule deer, white-tailed deer, and some bighorn sheep, and currently provide nearly 10,000 public hunting/angling days annually.

Additionally, the area provides habitat and mobility for critically threatened grizzly bears and Canada lynx, and is suitable for wolverines as well. Protecting the cold-water tributaries and streams will benefit both bull trout and native Westslope cutthroat too.

We thank our friends at the Trust for Public Lands for not only helping coordinate this CE but for securing \$175,000 from private fundraising efforts as well.

Most importantly, we want to express our deep gratitude to Green Diamond Resource Company not only for their willingness to open their gates and conserve wildlife habitat in perpetuity, but also for their incredibly generous contribution in the form of a 34 percent donation valued at \$6,985,949!

We support Alternative A, and encourage the Commission to approve the purchase of the 34,610-acre Upper Thompson CE – Phase 1.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Kevin Farron, Conservation Director, Montana Wildlife Federation

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**Q3**

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**Q1**

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**Q2**

Please comment on Upper Thompson - Phase 1

My name is Zach Whipple-Kilmer and I reside in Thompson Falls, Montana. I have been actively involved with Sanders County Natural Resources for 12 years, having been Sanders County's Natural Resource Coordinator for 6 years. I have been involved the Upper Thompson Project since the land sold in 2021.

I am writing to support this project in its entirety. A lot of folks in Sanders County depend on this piece of land to fill our freezers and get away from it all. These easements will allow public access in perpetuity, provide wildlife habitat, continue our rural traditions of logging, mining and grazing along with a tax base to our County. This also upholds private property rights.

Please vote yes on this easement. It has a lot of support from our small communities.

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**Q3**

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Upper Thompson - Phase 1

Hello. As a fisheries biologist for Avista here in the lower Clark Fork, please except the attached letter in support of the proposed Upper Thompson Conservation Easement. Thanks, Sean Moran

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## Q3

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**Avista support letter to Commission for Thompson CE.pdf (101.2KB)**

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