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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Calf Creek WMA Habitat Restoration Project--Draft EA

Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP) has issued a draft environmental assessment (EA) for its proposal to conduct habitat restoration treatments on approximately 1,116 acres of forest and grass/shrublands on its Calf Creek Wildlife Management Area (CCWMA), located east of Hamilton in Ravalli County. The objectives of the proposed treatments are: 1) improve elk and deer winter forage, 2) restore grass/ shrublands through conifer removal, 3) promote stand conditions that would allow fire to burn at low-severity appropriate for the habitat type, and 4) promote aspen growth and regeneration. Treatments would involve the removal of conifer trees (both merchantable and submerchantable) through a combination of mechanical and non-mechanical treatments.

The EA may also be obtained by mail from Region 2 FWP, 3201 Spurgin Rd., Missoula 59804; by phoning 406-542-5500; by emailing shrose@mt.gov; or by viewing FWP's Internet website <http://fwp.mt.gov> ("Recent Public Notices"). Comments may be directed by mail or email to the addresses above.

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<https://fwp.mt.gov/public-notice/news/2021/feb/calf-creek-wma-habitat-restoration-project--draft-ea>

Comments must be received by FWP no later than March 8, 2021

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