

Ravalli County Commissioners Office

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Subject: Opportunity for Public Comment - Updating the Bison Mgmt Plan (IBMP)

Updating the Interagency Bison Management Plan (IBMP)

The State of Montana and National Park Service (NPS) are jointly preparing a Yellowstone-area Bison Management Plan and Environmental Impact Statement (plan/EIS). The purpose of the plan/EIS is to conserve a wild and migratory population of Yellowstone-area bison, while minimizing the risk of brucellosis transmission between these wild bison and livestock to the extent practicable. This planning process will result in a new, long-term decision about how to manage bison in Yellowstone National Park and on adjacent lands outside of the park in Montana. [Learn more](#)

Opportunity for Public Comment

The comment period is March 16, 2015 - June 15, 2015. Public scoping meetings will be held in Bozeman, Gardiner, and West Yellowstone, Montana. For details about these events, visit the National Park Service [Planning, Environment & Public Comment](#) (NPS PEPC)

Public comments will be accepted at the public scoping meetings and via the following methods:

Online:

Comment online at NPS [Planning, Environment & Public Comment](#)

Written, on Paper:

Mail or hand-deliver written comments to:

- Yellowstone National Park
- Yellowstone Bison Management Plan EIS
- PO Box 168
- Yellowstone National Park, WY 82190

Deadline

The comment deadline is June 15, 2015.

Please note that comments cannot be accepted by fax or email; comments can be submitted only in the ways specified above. Bulk comments in any format (hard copy or electronic) submitted on behalf of others will not be accepted. Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.