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To:	Stacie Anderson; John P. Contos; Grp. City Council and City Web Site
Subject:	City of Missoula Proposed Land Acquistion on Mount Dean Stone
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Good morning City of Missoula Council Members,

Please consider the acquisition of 350 acres on Mount Dean Stone for Missoulians. This property would be a significant addition to the conservation surrounding our community. These lands will promote an array of options for recreational users. The newly constructed High, Wide, and Handsome trail means more singletrack for Missoula and spreads out recreational use throughout the current trails system on conservation, state and federal lands around Missoula.

Creating more hiking/biking opportunities and infrastructures promotes a revenue stream to our local community. More users equates to a need for more gear whether it be running shoes, hiking boots or mountain biking equipment. Outdoor enthusiasts across the valley need more access and trail systems. With the continued population growth in Missoula, this acquisition would be a huge asset for businesses, the health of the community and the City of Missoula.

Thank you for taking the time to read my comments and please vote YES on November 23rd for the acquisition of 350 acres on Mount Dean Stone.

Sincerely,
Randolph Chitwood