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## Feedground management plan

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I have two points/questions:

1. The process is to have a publicly supported plan, but my perception is the public really has no voice in that the livestock industry has veto power.
2. While the goal is to reduce dependence on feedgrounds, our work is showing that in the BTNF, cattle are consuming 75% of the forage and due to lack of science based management, such as providing rest, the productivity on the BTNF has been reduced to a small fraction of potential.

In addition, in spring and fall, the valleys where elk and deer might seek winter forage are grazed to the bone leaving little for elk or deer that might use those areas. I don't see where the livestock industry is helping at all.

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