



A plan to boost local economies, protect public lands,
and enhance outdoor recreation **for the benefit
of all Montanans.**

a brighter future

The Lincoln Prosperity Proposal provides new management direction across 200,000 acres of the Helena-Lewis and Clark National Forest that will allow us to strengthen our community, sustainably manage our forests and water, and boost outdoor recreation.

Restores forests and protects community from wildfire

- Establishes Lincoln Gulch and Ogden Mountain Restoration Areas spanning 69,000 acres
- Increases pace and scale of forest restoration consistent with protections for grizzly bear, lynx, and wolverine
- Reduces the risks of wildfire threatening homes and businesses
- Improves degraded stream quality and restores wildlife habitat

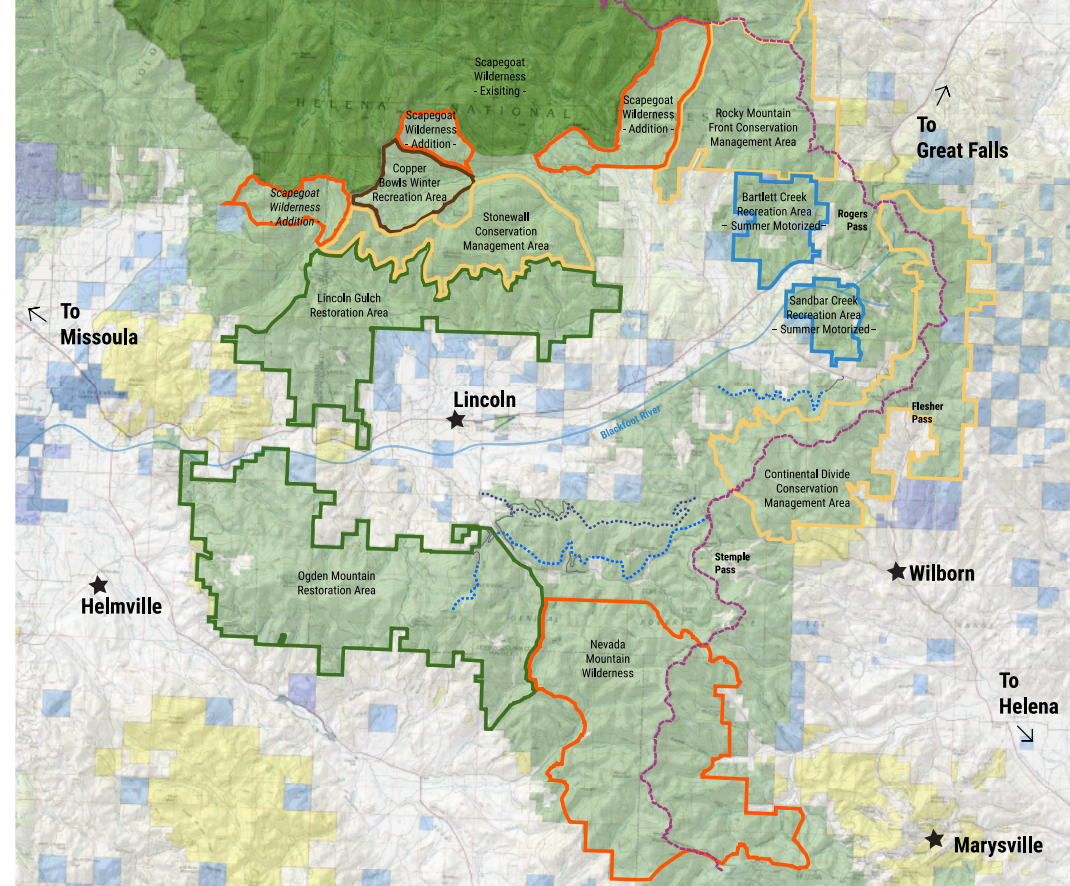
Protects public lands and tributaries of the legendary Blackfoot River

- Establishes the Continental Divide, Rocky Mountain Front, and Stonewall Conservation Management Areas totaling 63,000 acres, protecting existing uses and preventing new development
- Expands the size of the beloved Scapegoat Wilderness by 16,000 acres
- Designates a new 40,000-acre Nevada Mountain Wilderness Area, prized by hunters, hikers, and backcountry horseback riders
- Protects world-class big game populations for hunters and wildlife enthusiasts
- Preserves over 500 miles of streams, critical for fisheries health and outdoor opportunity

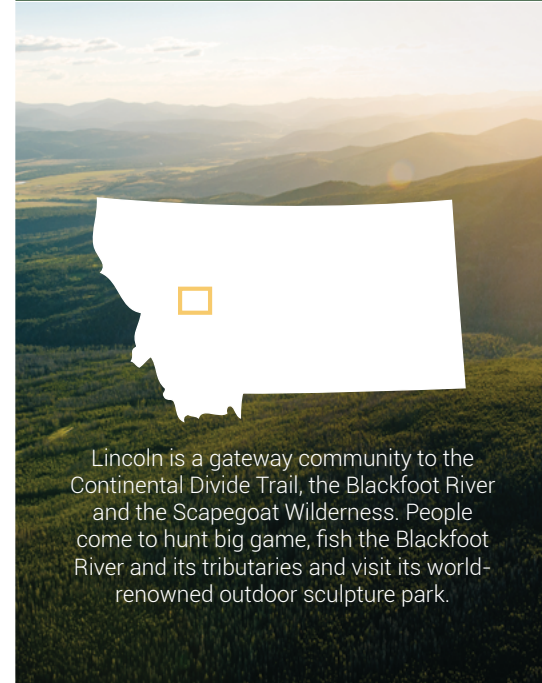
Boosts outdoor opportunity

- Establishes the Bartlett Creek and Sandbar Creek Recreation Areas, totaling 10,600 acres, for off-highway vehicle use
- Develops a 70-mile off-highway vehicle loop with the construction of 20 miles of new connector trails
- Designates the 5,200-acre Copper Bowls Winter Recreation Area for snowmobiling
- Develops a new 18-mile high-elevation trail for mountain bikers and secures 65 miles of additional mountain biking trail
- Protects more than 100 miles of non-motorized trails

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Lincoln Prosperity Proposal Land Management



Lincoln is a gateway community to the Continental Divide Trail, the Blackfoot River and the Scapegoat Wilderness. People come to hunt big game, fish the Blackfoot River and its tributaries and visit its world-renowned outdoor sculpture park.

Legend

- National Forest
- Existing Wilderness
- State of Montana Lands
- U.S. Bureau of Land Management
- Continental Divide Trail

PROPOSED DESIGNATIONS*

- Forest Restoration
- Conservation Management
- Recreation Area
- Winter Recreation Area
- Proposed Wilderness
- Proposed Motorized Routes
- Proposed Non-motorized Routes

*All proposed areas are on public lands included in the Helena and Lewis & Clark National Forest

our story

After the mining and logging industries took an economic downturn in the early 1990s, the community of Lincoln experienced decades of economic turmoil that exacerbated conflict over the management of public lands in the Upper Blackfoot Valley. The status-quo wasn't working, making the situation in Lincoln ripe for collaboration.

In 2015, foresters, outfitters, ranchers, firefighters, conservationists, hunters, and other local community members came together to chart a better path. They found agreement and united the community behind a plan to help rebuild the economy and better leverage the world-class public resources in the Upper Blackfoot Valley for the benefit of all Montanans. They eventually became known as the Lincoln Prosperity Group. This agreement is the result of their work.

Lincoln Prosperity Group Members

Karyn Good | Gehring Ranch, Upper Blackfoot Community Council
Zach Muse | Lincoln Fire Chief, Upper Blackfoot Community Council
Brent Anderson | Lincoln Resident, Logging Company Owner
Paul Roos | Retired Outfitter and Educator
Bill Cyr | Lincoln Restoration Committee
Rod Bullis | Professional Forester
Pat Hagen | Ponderosa Snow Warriors
Jordan Reeves | The Wilderness Society
Ron Zarr | Ponderosa Snow Warriors
Russ Ehnes | Montana Trail Vehicle Riders Association
Zach Angstead | Montana Wilderness Association
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