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My name is Suzy Foss and I am a Ravalli County Commissioner. I am writing in opposition to the CSKT Compact being ratified by the Montana Legislature at this time and in support of the 2 year extension which will give all parties the opportunity to actually read the Compact documents and hopefully get all of our counties questions answered.

My husband and I are part of a family ranch in the Bitterroot whose roots go back over 100 years. We have been dealing with water rights issues for the entire 31 years of our marriage with a room devote for the documents, maps and legal papers this entails.

Our county attorney has discussed many concerns he has with the Compact and as yet does not feel he has received a answer that is satisfactory to the point that he could recommend our county sign off in approval.

We need time and if this I a good product it will stand up under scrutiny and hopefully our county can offer amendments that might resolve the issues many of us share.

Sincerely,



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