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A thread protector (50) for protecting threads (42) on the end of a pipe (48) includes a base portion (84), a threaded portion (54) extending axially from a first end of the base portion (52a) and threadably engageable with the pipe and an elongated annular bumper (62) extending axially from a second end (50b) of the base portion. The elongated bumper (62) has an average length and width such that the ratio of the length to the width is at least 2. The base and elongated bumper have a total length of at least two inches.

