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To: Cheryl Probert, Forest Supervisor

Efficient Public Collaboration (EPC) is a new innovative collaborative created almost two year ago. EPC works collaboratively to find resolutions to natural resource issues and to make recommendations to public agencies. EPC’s common purpose/goal is to facilitate a dialogue with as broad a set of public interests as possible and within the parameters the Forest is operating under. EPC is a platform to bring public interests together, not to negotiate over how to divvy up the pie, but to facilitate the diverse public interests in a collaborative process focused on a common purpose, a purpose greater than each individual interest.

EPC collaborated on three topics related to Forest Plan Revision:

1. Recommended Wilderness
2. Access/ Recreation (ROS), including a map of ROS
3. Wild and Scenic Rivers: Specifically, the North and South Fork Clearwater Rivers

Attached is the recommendation for item 3, Wild and Scenic Rivers: Specifically, the North and South Fork Clearwater Rivers.

Because of the time frame, EPC has not yet completed its collaborative process for this topic. As indicated in the members list for the Collaborative Group at the end of the document, there are still groups/individual we are waiting to hear from. Once we have completed our process, we will send an updated response.

If there is any information in this recommendation you find is not accurate, we would greatly appreciate letting us know so we can re-evaluate our recommendation. EPC is a new collaborative and its process is not well understood; it is significantly different than other collaborative. If there are any questions about EPC please let us know as we are excited to explain the process to others. We can be contacted at 208-553-3382 or stoneflyconsulting12@gmail.com

Sincerely,

/s/ Marty J Gardner

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Chair: Efficient Public Collaboration

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