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Rocky Mountain Region

Attn: Objection Review Officer

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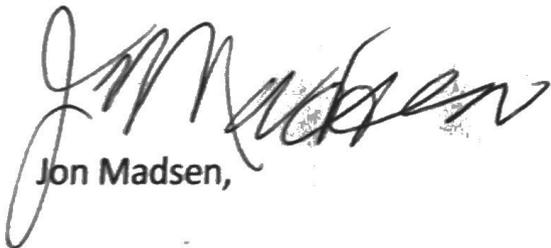
Golden, CO 80402

Dear Sir,

I am writing to express my opposition to the Modified Final Environment Impact Study. I am a Wyoming fisherman and hiker who frequents the Medicine Bow forest.

The forest is currently used sustainably mostly for recreation. This use, hunting, fishing, hiking, trail riding, and exploring the natural world, generates money thru licenses, equipment, lodging, and food sales. This economic benefit comes without clear cutting or harvesting lumber at rates 4 – 8 times over current levels. Prescribed burning (estimated area of which is not known) and adding up to 600 miles of temporary roads will ultimately put the forest in danger of a very slow recovery due to a predicted lack of moisture as a result of climate change. The forest may never recover to its present state. In fact, the forest intact as it is, is why people come. It is what is left of the original "mystery of the world"! This is destroyed by treating the Medicine Bow NF it as a farm for trees.

Sincerely,



Jon Madsen,