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To whom it may concern:

I am writing to encourage you to continue the process of protecting all 89 streams eligible for Wild and Scenic designation within the Lochsa, Selway, North Fork Clearwater, South Fork Clearwater, and Salmon river drainages. Four of the last five years, I traveled from Virginia to Idaho to kayak and fish streams in these very drainages. These are some of the most pristine and spectacular places on Earth, and I strongly encourage you to protect them from logging, mining, greater road development, and any other detrimental activities. These are truly special places that I am already making plans to visit again next year, and plan to come back until I am physically unable to. Along with the great whitewater and fishing, the lack of development and logging activity is what adds a level of solitude and wildness found in few other places. Few places in the contiguous 48 states provide a sense of wildness like these places. They offer a connection to what North America was like before human settlement. I encourage you to do everything possible to protect them for future generations.

Sincerely,

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