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Comments: To whom it may concern - in regards to the Nez Pierce Clearwater plan I would like to recommend alternative X. In this plan we would be able to use the land to the most economic value. Hunting and snowmobiling have a large economic impact on the small towns surrounding this land. People who enjoy these activities will need to stay in motels, fuel up at convenience stores and eat at restaurants. These smaller communities need all the help they can get at this time.

Some of the arguments that I have heard about allowing snowmobiling back into the GreatBurn area is that the sleds scare and kill the mountain goats. This in my mind is simply not true. There are pictures of goats walking right down the road as snowmobiles are on the road. In the years before it was shut down I used to ride Surveyor 20 times a season. This was for approximately 5 years in a row. I or my riding partners ever experienced any goats at any time of the year.

Snowmobiling has been historically allowed in parts of the Great Burn for years. I would like it to be opened back up so I can pass this local treasure onto my son and daughter. Over the snow motorized vehicles leave no trace after the snow melts.

I thank you very much for your time and consideration in this matter.