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Atten: Blue Mountain National Forest Plan Division

To whom it may concern -

This letter pertains to the new Malheur Roadless plan.

I request the ability to use roads to go hunting, firewood gathering, berry picking and also mushroom picking.

Please leave roads open to fight fires. No one could access the "Bridge Fire" on the back side of "Dixie Mt." this summer - roads weren't usable. That made it much harder to get men and equipment into the fire. Thankfully we had some thunderstorms with rain roll through that helped keep its footprint small. It was important to contain it before it reached the lookout and our communications tower.

Please consider helping our community be able to do the things we have done for over 100 years. Don't close the forest roads.

We need roads to help our mill reopen. We're all praying for logging to resume. Our town is slowly drying up. Jobs are disappearing and young folks are all having to move to bigger cities to find work.

Please reconsider your ideas of closing and no reconstruction of roads.

Sincerely,

Jan O'Rorke