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Comments: 1 - Connectivity is very important for the planning area as it is the link between the Northern Continental Divide Ecosystem, the Cabinet Yaak and the Selway Ecosystems to the North connecting to the Selway-Bitterroot and Yellowstone Ecosystems to the south. There needs to be coordination with Forests and agencies on the Montana side to ensure wildlife corridors are maintained or enhanced across the state divide and within Idaho.

2- Option B which opens areas of the Great Burn to snowmobile use is bad for connectivity, could harm wildlife such as mountain goats, wolverines, and future grizzly populations. This area has long been recommended for wilderness and should remain so allowing motorized use would cause management enforcement issues on the Forests on both sides of the state line and would threaten future wilderness designation. This would lessen connectivity values and open the door for additional motorized use degrading quiet uses. Areas free of motorized use are a diminishing resource once lost are forever gone.