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Rhonda Bishop, District Ranger
Council Ranger District
2092 Highway 95
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RE: Little Weiser Forest Resilience Project

Dear Ms. Bishop:

The Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation (IDPR) staff reviewed the Little Weiser Forest Resilience Project proposed action report. The district is proposing vegetative treatments across 3,000 acres in the Little Weiser drainage.

The project would also improve the Little Weiser Trail #515. This trail is designated non-motorized. It is good to see that some of the non-motorized trails outside of the Frank Church River of No Return Wilderness are getting some attention on the west half of the forest. Bringing this trail up to standard would offer non-motorized visitors a stream side trail opportunity which would be somewhat unique on this side of the Payette Forest.

We encourage the Council Ranger District to move forward with this project. If you have any questions about our comments, you can contact me at (208) 514-2483.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jeff Cook". The signature is stylized, with the first name "Jeff" written in a cursive-like script and the last name "Cook" in a more straightforward, slightly cursive script.

Jeff Cook, Outdoor Recreation Analyst
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