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Comments: To whom it may concern,

As a resident of northern Pend Orielle County, I am very concerned with the proposed forest plan. While I do like the increased timber revenue and more motorized recreation areas, I feel the benefits are mainly going to areas in Stevens and Ferry county.

If you look at the proposed wilderness area, you can see that this unfairly impacts the northeast corner of national forest. In this area we are getting stuck with area that cannot be used for revenue or motorized recreation. And as we all know, once congress votes on adding these "wilderness areas", we likely will never be able to reverse that decision.

As a resident on Boundary road, I feel that the wilderness area designation will impact me in terms of fire danger. If you go up on hooknose mountain, you can see the impact that disease has had on the timber. With proper management we would be able to reduce disease and decrease the fire risk.

As a local I am very concerned with the abercrombie trailhead access. Although the plan does not currently propose any road closures, I feel that it is only a matter of time closing that trailhead as the road will be running right through a wilderness area. Closing that trailhead would effectively close off local access to abercrombie, hooknose and mount linton.

With all of these concerns, I feel the best choice would be the no action proposal, with possible amendments to meet concerns as they come up.

Thank you for reading,

Mark Jenson