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Comments: I've got concerns about the Proposed Action Plan. I oppose the current Proposed Action Plan. I believe that a lot of the activities that will be restricted in that plan are the activities that created the landscape that we all know and enjoy today. I feel that in our case we're forest grazing permittees on the Abercrombie-Hooknose area, Silver Creek Allotment is the allotment that we're on, those trails are very important to our management of that allotment, and to that area up there, as they are to several other people. Those trails I have great concerns that will not be maintained if it was regulated into a wilderness area. And so, you know, the Pacific Trail goes through there, mountain bikes would be regulated out, wheel carts would be out in a true wilderness area, so I've got great concerns about the Abercrombie-Hooknose wilderness area. I also have concerns on the Proposed Action Plans on road densities. The public has paid for those roads to be put into place on our Colville National Forest by forest contracts, and through road credits on timber sales. I do believe that there's some areas that we should focus on improving the quality of those roads, the sediment deposits from them, to manage those roads instead of taking them off and making more inventory roadless areas. I do support the No Action Plan. I believe that's the only plan we can, realistically, look at. There's 40 amendments in the current 1988 Forest Plan, and I think that if we looked at those amendments and adjusted a few things that we could continue to manage the forest as we know it in the 1988 plan. And I got five-and-a-half seconds, now, how do you like that?