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Comments: How are you doing? My name is Jim Day, I was born in Spokane in 1942, and my dad and I used to hunt up in that area when I was barely able to carry a rifle, believe me. As a matter of fact, he did it, mostly. And you could pretty much drive across the river just outside of Colville -- or Kettle Falls, and there was a restaurant that was there, you would pull into the parking lot, go get a cup of coffee, or something, and then you would go up the hills from there and hike. Now, we're talking about -- and it was, basically, back country from that point on. Now we're talking about an area that is a fair distance from that, and it has changed immensely since that time. But those days are gone, and I don't think you can completely revive them again.

Having said that, and looking at the maps, and reading the material they sent, I do have a tendency to agree with Plan P, I believe it is. And the reason is, yes, there is some new wilderness proposed, but there's also motorized allowed, there's also focused restoration, general restoration, scenic byway, back country, et cetera. This is probably the best mix of all of them, I feel. I think we have to take into consideration not only the people that actually live there, the people from Colville, Kettle Falls, but we also have to take into consideration the people from Spokane, the people from New York City, the people from California, they pay taxes for this just as much as we do, and they, in their own right, don't even get as much off of it as we do, meaning, they don't use it for hunting, or what have you, but their considerations must be met, I think. Plan P, I think it probably is the fairest of all. Thank you.