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Comments: The Forest Plan P is the pest choice. Protecting riparian areas, increasing wilderness areas and the controlling of grazing on the Colville National Forest should be priorities. Also, wilderness needs to be just that -wilderness. Limiting damaging activities is not infringing on anyone's freedoms. Increasing the total designated wilderness acreage within the Colville National Forest is akin to not spending your entire paycheck and setting some aside for a reserve. You can always spend it later, but when it's gone, it's gone, Restrictions are a tool to maintain what is left of the natural world and its resident flora and fauna, not a punishment as many people have opined.

I really wish humans would look beyond their own personal desires and envision the bigger picture,

Thank you for asking for the public's input. I appreciate your outreach and patience and do not envy your position of referee and peacemaker while just trying to do your job overseeing such a massive yet fragile ecosystem.