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I have been blessed to spend many summers at Warm Lake since my childhood. I remember the drive up from Cascade on narrow, winding dirt roads, meeting logging trucks and having to back downhill to a wide spot where the truck could get past. I remember the paving project of the roadway into the Warm Lake Recreation Area past the Warm Lake Lodge and up the summit leading to Yellow Pine. As the road was improved, the traffic increased as well, and as more people discovered the beauty and accessibility of the area, the dust increased, the condition of the campgrounds deteriorated, the traffic on the dirt road past some of the summer homes became heavy enough to be dangerous to those walking down to the lake or to the swimming area.

If this project is allowed to proceed, one can only imagine the traffic, the condition of both pavement and dirt roads, the camping grounds with the huge number of trucks, equipment and people traveling back and forth daily.

Take a drive up Idaho State Highway 21 to Idaho City to see firsthand what happens to areas that have been mined like this!

I strongly oppose the project and sincerely hope the permissions to proceed will NOT be granted.