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Comments: Public opinion on Draft Wild and Scenic Suitability Report

Dear Nez Perce Clearwater National Forests,

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I am a whitewater river running enthusiast form colorado that has been taking yearly trips to central idaho rivers for the purpose of recreational whitewater river running for the last 25 trips. The amount that i have personally contributed to the local economies in these localities is in the tens of thousands of dollars. I will continue to do so, as long as these rivers are respected and protected! If they are not protected, i will no longer visit the area.

I am writing to ask that all 89 streams that you have found eligible for Wild and Scenic designation remain protected as eligible in the new forest plan, and to voice my support for their ultimate designation. If you finalize the Draft Suitability Report, I ask that all 89 streams be found suitable in the final report.

Thank you for considering these comments.

Sincerely, gary eldridge Boulder, CO 80304 eldridge.gary@gmail.com