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Comments: Comments On Draft Wild and Scenic Suitability Report

Dear Nez Perce Clearwater National Forests,

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I am a whitewater paddler and overall outdoor recreator from northwest Montana. I am also an outdoor professional and teach whitewater kayaking in our area. I have spent many days paddling the Lochsa and hiking and paddling in the surrounding area, and I hope to be able to continue to explore this area and these rivers. I can't think of rivers in any other area that more deserve the Wild and Scenic designation.

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.

This spring I was lucky enough to paddle White Sands/Colt Killed Creek for the first time, which is one of the most beautiful rivers I have ever visited. For all of us who value paddling this river, hiking in its canyon, and just knowing that this clean, wild, unaltered river exists, please continue to support protections for this and the other streams like it.

Thank you for considering these comments.

Sincerely, Chelsea Liddell Columbia Falls, MT 59912 chelsea.a.liddell@gmail.com