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Comments: Comments On Draft Wild and Scenic Suitability Report

Dear Nez Perce Clearwater National Forests,

Dear Nez Perce - Clearwater National Forests,

I am a natural resources professional, rangeland scientist, and former ranch manager--as well as a river enthusiast and whitewater paddler. I just returned from a backcountry paddling trip in north-central Idaho.

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.

These streams are also in the general region of important habitat for grizzly bears recolonizing the Selway-Bitterroot from the Northern Continental Divide area in Montana.

Thank you for considering these comments.

Sincerely,

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