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Comments: Comments On Draft Wild and Scenic Suitability Report

Dear Nez Perce Clearwater National Forests,

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As a former river outfitter in the Clearwater NF I have come to know all of the rivers and streams in the Clearwater drainage well. As the owner of Bearpaw Rive Expeditions I hosted 100s if not 1000s of trips on the Lochsa River. I took 1000s of people down the river and shared the local area with them. Almost all of them came back year after year. The biggest economic value of this area is tourism. These tourists come to experience clean, and untrammeled rivers and forests. They spend a lot of money. This money supports local communities and jobs. Any harm or decrease in the protections of these rivers and streams would be a very bad idea.

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,

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