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Comments: Comments On Draft Wild and Scenic Suitability Report

Dear Nez Perce Clearwater National Forests,

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My name is Rachel and I live in the beautiful city of Missoula ,MT. I got into rafting the Lochsa about 5 years ago with the encouragement and support of my friends, whose own introduction was friends and family before them and so on.

I fell in love with the beauty and excitement of the Lochsa immediately. So much so, I just bought a cataraft this year and hope to continue to make the drive almost every weekend in the spring to spend time near these waters. To have my family fish and hike while other float by. I truly hope to be able to continue having access to these waters you are trying to deny use of. To be able to share these experiences much like my own with my young son in the future and even others for years to come .

Connecting and creating these wonderful experiences with the environment and the nature these waters hold brings me so much joy. I know I'm not the only one who feels this way. To be able to do that with my friends and family makes it so much more special . We all take pride and have a great appreciation to be able to access these waters and do what we do. It's lofe changing .

Me and many others are 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 choice.

Thank you for considering these comments.

Sincerely, Rachel Hauser Missoula, MT 59801 rmhauser@yahoo.com