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Comments: Draft Sustainability Report - keep the rivers Wild and Scenic

Dear Nez Perce Clearwater National Forests,

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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.

I work on the Lochsa and call it home. This place is truly wild and there is immense value in keeping it that way.

This is the place that Lewis and Clark crossed the Continental Divide, and it looks now almost exactly the way it did when they came through.

There are tons of Nez Perce pit-house pits in the area and the Lochsa was a source of livlihood for the Nez Perce.

Not only are the rivers at risk for unwanted change should they not be protected, but the surrounding landscape and history, too.

If you finalize the Draft Suitability Report, I ask that all 89 streams be found suitable in the final report.

Thank you for Saving and conserving some of the last wild places in the U.S.

Sincerely, Bethany Blitz Kooskia, ID 83539 blitz.bethany@gmail.com