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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 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. I have been an avid river recreation user for more than twenty years. I have boated, hiked and biked these areas and have found the wild and scenic designated drainages to be the gems in our public lands. Over the years I have spent thousands of dollars for food, accommodation, permit fees and shuttle services. Just this year (2018) I ran the Main Salmon and the Selway River with a separate fall hiking trip in the same drainages. Next year, I have already booked a trip down the Grand Canyon.

By considering the removal of the Wild and Scenic designation from any of these areas, you risk long term economic and political loss for short term and elusive gain

Thank you for considering these comments.

Michael Power

Sincerely,

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