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Comments: Thank you for scheduling a team in McCall the evening of 2-4-20. My family and friends are interested in dual track motorized recreation. This would include riding ATV and UTV vehicles. Of the four alternatives, I would support the two that would provide the most opportunities to explore the forest via roads and trails, especially 50 inch trails. It is my understanding, after attending the meeting in McCall, that Alternatives X and Y would be the two that I would support, with preference for Alternative X. As I recall, it would provide for the most motorized recreation opportunities, as well as allowing for significant timber sales which, in my opinion, would help to support the local economy, as well as reduce the threat of costly wildfires which have occurred in recent years. Also, the threat from insects that have infected so many trees, increased logging would remove them from potential infestation.

In the past two years we have enjoyed exploring both the Clearwater and Nez Perce forest roads and trails. Of importance to me is adequate parking to accommodate vehicles with trailers. They should be positioned near trailheads. Motor Vehicle Use Maps are very important to identify roads and trails open to the public, and appropriate signage at intersections is also appreciated.. Having a MVUM published for the Nez Perce forest would be well received.

It is my opinion that to support the growing interest in motorized recreation, we need more trails, not only the 50 " trails but if new trails come online, that the Forest Service consider revising their definition of a dual track motorized trail to include a width greater than 50 inches to accommodate the growing number of larger side x sides.

We have enjoyed riding on your forest and look forward to exploring further in the years to come.