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Comments: I have recently reviewed the released Nez Perce-Clearwater Forest Plan Revision Draft Environmental Impact Statement and Draft Revised Forest Plan. None of the alternatives presented reflect the management I would like to see implemented for the Hoodoo Roadless Area. Please accept these comments into the formal record.

As a wildlife biologist and an outdoorsman, I am deeply concerned about decisions that impact our country's wilderness areas especially those that bring more anthropogenic disturbance.

I grew up in western Montana, and hiking and camping the northern Rockies kickstarted my love of the outdoors and all things wild. Without those experiences, I might not have gone into the conservation field, which I now consider among the highest of callings.

I believe the entire Great Burn area needs the fullest protections. Snowmobiles would negatively impact wildlife during their most stressful time of year

Leave the roadless areas roadless - snowmobilers have plenty of other places to recreate.

I feel that Cayuse Creek along with Kelly Creek and all of its forks deserve the Wild and Scenic designation.

With our society's growing disconnect with nature, we need to take care to preserve wild places. Please do not shrink or eliminate the wilderness designation.

I appreciate your effort and consideration for public input on this plan.