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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.

I'm a graduate student at the University of Montana, and I enjoy hiking, backpacking and skiing in the Great Burn wilderness. It's crucial that the Hoodoo Roadless Area remain roadless and not have snowmobile access because there are fewer and fewer places not affected by motorized recreation and activities, and plans and wildlife benefit greatly from having such areas that are not affected by erosion, noise pollution, and disturbance.

I've enjoyed backcountry skiing and backpacking in the Great Burn, and have always appreciated how quiet and wild the place is. My favorite experience was walking on the State Line trail near Hoodoo Pass and seeing the impressive beargrass bloom in 2017.

As I mentioned earlier, it's crucial that the Hoodoo Roadless Area remain roadless and not have snowmobile access because there are fewer and fewer places not affected by motorized recreation and activities, and plans and wildlife benefit greatly from having such areas that are not affected by erosion, noise pollution, and disturbance.

I share MWA's recommendation that the entire 151,874 Hoodoo Roadless Area continue to be managed as Recommended Wilderness

It's crucial that the Hoodoo Roadless Area remain roadless and not have snowmobile access because there are fewer and fewer places not affected by motorized recreation and activities, and plans and wildlife benefit greatly from having such areas that are not affected by erosion, noise pollution, and disturbance. Snowmobile access will further fragment contiguous habitats, changing animal behavior, habitat selection and may have negative impacts to some species' populations.

I agree that both Cayuse Creek and Kelly Creek should be Wild and Scenic Rivers

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Thanks to the forest planning team for all your hard work and effort!