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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 National Forest it's your responsibility to protect the wildlife that call the Great Burn their home. Roads contribute to the deaths of so many animals that rely on the roadless nature of the Great Burn to survive. Mountain goats, lynx, grizzlies, and wolverines, among other animals deserve protection. There are only about 350 wolverines left in the lower 48 and most of their deaths are caused by cars hitting them when they cross roads. Please do not drive wolverines or other animals into endangerment.

I have backpacked with my children in the Great Burn and it was a wonderful experience because we could walk for miles and miles and experience the wilderness as it's meant to be--wild.

I'd like to see the Great Burn area protected as an officially recognized wilderness area.

Please do not allow motorized vehicles into the Hoodoo Roadless Area. Many animals are vulnerable to the sounds of these machines and to the increase in human presence that these machines allow. In addition, people should be able to recreate in some areas without the use of motorized vehicles because it makes for a truly peaceful and special experience. We can't save the planet if we don't first pay attention to what we already have.

Please recognize the Cayuse Creek and Kelly Creek as Wild and Scenic Rivers. The extra protection this will afford them will help to keep these rivers pristine.

Once roads are added into a forest, or motorized vehicles, you can never get back what you lose. The stakes are too high. Please protect the Great Burn area and all of the animals and plants that depend on its roadlessness to thrive.

Thank you for all your hard work in revising the forest plan. The plan desperately needs to be updated and a new plan ensuring greater protections for animals, plants, and unobtrusive human recreation will be a wonderful asset for all.