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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 live in Montana and find solace in our quiet, wild public lands. The Great Burn is a keystone landscape connecting the Crown of the Continent and the Selkirk-Cabinet-Yaak ecosystem with central Idahos wildlands and the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem. The Great Burn is a critically important and outstandingly beautiful gem in our national forest system that deserves the utmost protection.

I have yet to visit the Great Burn specifically, but knowing it exists - wild, intact - is important to me.

I'd like to see the entire 151,874 acre Hoodoo Roadless Area continue to be managed as Recommended Wilderness with no non-conforming uses.

Recommended Wilderness Areas should be managed by the agency to conserve, protect, and enhance the wilderness values in the area. Motorized use is antithetical to wilderness management. Motorized use will also cause significant disturbance to key wildlife habitat.

Cayuse Creek, as well as Kelly Creek and all of its forks, should be recommended as Wild and Scenic, and managed as such.

Protecting the multiple, critical values - like opportunities for primitive recreation, clean water, view-sheds, clean air, wildlife habitat, climate resiliency, and ecosystem connectivity & intactness - should be paramount in this forest plan.

Thank you for your work on behalf of our public lands and the public processes it takes to manage them.