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Comments: To Whom It May Concern--

I am an elk hunter and frequently visit the Nez Perce-Clearwater National Forest. The area is a resource unlike any other. Please do not allow motorized travel in this area--I would like to comment that the Hoodoo Roadless Area continue to remain so and to be protected in its entirety, and I recommend it continue as a Recommended Wilderness, and in fact be considered for inclusion in the National Wilderness Preservation System. My comments apply to the Clearwater NF and also the NP NF, which should also have a winter travel plan developed.

The Forest Service should NOT allow snowmobile usage in this area. I work with snowmobiles as an avalanche instructor in other National Forest areas in Idaho, and the NP-CNF should remain protected from snowmobile usage. The noise and presence of motorized snow machines completely changes an area. Snowmobiles and snow bikes can be heard literally for miles; they disrupt critical and protected wildlife even when they are miles away, and their presence is a disturbance that cannot be mitigated.

Sincerely,

-Josh Butler, Boise Idaho