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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 am a hiker, fisherman and outdoorsman. I value our remaining areas of wild country, and appreciate the wilderness values of the Great Burn and Hoodoo roadless areas.

Viewing this area from a mountaintop gives a dramatic vision of how large and wild this area is.

I support Recommended Wilderness designation for the entire 151,800 acres of the Hoodoo RA.

Snowmobilers represent a tiny fraction of visitor use in our national forests. They already have access to extensive areas of the forest, with negative consequences to wildlife habitat security and peace and quiet. The idea that we need to compromise these values in order to increase motorized use is unjustifiable, and unfair to the vast majority of forest users, and all those who value wild areas.

I also support Wild and Scenic designation of Cayuse and Kelly Creeks.

As the climate changes, high, wild areas with deep snow are going to be increasingly rare and scarce. This will be a problem for snow denning animals such as wolverines, grizzlies and others. We need to protect these areas from disturbance, to give these species a better chance of survival.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.