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Comments: While I can understand the desire to explore further via motorized transport, I think the value of minimally-disturbed wilderness is paramount. I would think otherwise if conditions were different; that is, if snowmobiling did not directly cause or correlate closely with 1) adverse wildlife impacts, 2) increased pollution (including, but not limited to litter, noise, and air and water contamination), and 3) damage to soil and vegetation.

For these reasons, I would like to see:

1) The Forest Service continue to protect the entire 151,874-acre Hoodoo Roadless Area as Recommended Wilderness in the revised forest plan.

2) The Forest Service prohibit snowmobile use in any Recommended Wilderness areas. This use is not compatible with protecting wilderness characteristics or potential for designation within the National Wilderness Preservation System.

3) The revised forest plan include a commitment to begin winter travel planning within three years on the Nez Perce portion of the forest, including the Moose Creek, Salmon River, and Red River Ranger Districts. Only the Clearwater portion of the Forest currently has a winter travel plan.