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Comments: Comments on Nez Perce-Clearwater NFs Forest Plan Revision #44089

Dear Zach Peterson,

I request that the Citizen Conservation Biology Alternative submitted by Friends of the Clearwater be fully analyzed as its own Alternative.

The forest plan revision for the Nez Perce-Clearwater National Forests must:

- * Administer existing Wildernesses as per the Wilderness Act, both the spirit and intent.
- * Protect all roadless areas
- * Reduce carbon emissions and promote climate stability by emphasizing carbon storage in trees, down wood, and soils in the forest and REDUCE the use of motorized vehicles and fossil fuels.
- * Make roadless areas off limits to logging.
- * Protect Water, Soil and Aquatic Resources by maintaining and/or restoring the elements which characterize good native fish habitat and high water quality by including enforceable standards that protect clean and cold water and complex, connected and comprehensive habitats. Existing wetland and stream buffers and other protection measures, known as PACFISH and INFISH, must be maintained and improved. Meaningful and enforceable standards to protect soils, as required by law, must be included.
- * Allow fire to perform its necessary ecosystem rejuvenating function and allow insects and disease to play their ecological functions.
- * STOP clearcutting that fragments the landscape. These openings adversely affect habitats for numerous species.
- * Emphasize landscape connectivity by providing wildlife linkage corridors so that animals can move unimpeded across the landscape, facilitating migration and genetic interchange.
- * Reduce the miles of roads to improve wildlife security and watershed integrity.

Thank you.

Sincerely,
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