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Comments: Re: Preservation of wild places and habitat in the Nez Perce-Clearwater National Forest

Dear Supervisor Probert:

Please use your influence and decision-making power to preserve and protect habitat for wild creatures in the Nez Perce-Clearwater National Forest. We humans take so much and leave so little for wildness. We are belatedly - but perhaps in time - coming to realize the value we receive from wild places. They provide balm and joy for the soul, fresh air, water that's sweet to drink\* and glorious to sit alongside. The sight of a bear, a wolf, a lynx, a grouse - even the hope of a sighting - lifts our spirits and connects us to a world greater than ourselves. A world of which we are very much a part.

This is simply another way of saying that, as our wild places go, so do we. This is not an intellectual construct for me. I was introduced to wildness decades ago by my husband, who was born and raised in Idaho. Wildness is of his essence, and now is also of mine. Wildness and the hope of its ongoing protection bring me peace.

Thank you,  
Monica Glickman

\*I remember when one didn't need to treat it first.