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Comments: This area is so important to me. As a mule packer, backcountry guide, and wilderness enthusiast living in western montana I have spent a great amount of time back-country skiing, riding, hiking, fishing, and camping in the great burn, most notably pearl/heart/ dalton basin, cayuse and kelly creek, and the forks of fish creek. also the area surrounding illinois peak. these areas provide absolute wilderness feel. Solitude, abundance of wildlife (griz, mountain goats. The area is a crucial corridor for griz, elk and other species moving from nw montana into idaho and the bitteroot. i have seen a lot of degradation by illegal snowmobile traffic over the years and cant bare to see more. i actually enjoy snowmobiling immensely but dont feel that this is an appropriate place. the basin hold the noise and exhaust too much.