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

Dear Zach Peterson,

I would like to comment on the DEIS for the Nez Perce-Clearwater National Forests Plan Revision. I support the Citizen Conservation Biology Alternative submitted by Friends of the Clearwater and request that it be fully analyzed as its own Alternative.

The forest plan revision for the Nez Perce-Clearwater National Forests should respect the spirit of the Wilderness Act to include provisions to protect wilderness areas from over-utilization for recreation. Please protect all roadless areas in an untrammeled state. The FS should limit mechanized access to provide secure areas for sensitive wildlife (wolverine, grizzly bear and even elk), and reduce erosion to streams, compaction of fragile soils, and the spread of invasive weeds. Migration corridors for sensitive species are especially important as they increasingly experience the impacts of climate change and development pressures.

There needs to be a net reduction in roads. Temporary roads should be minimized and fully remediated.

Prohibit logging in roadless areas, riparian areas, high grade slopes, and old growth. When designating other areas for logging, plan around migration corridors.

Thank you for opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,

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