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Comments: I have recently reviewed the released Nez Perce-Clearwater Forest Plan Revision Draft Environmental Impact Statement and Draft Revised Forest Plan. None of the alternatives presented reflect the management I would like to see implemented for the Hoodoo Roadless Area. Please accept these comments into the formal record.

Although I am a Washington resident, I am a frequent visitor to the Idaho Wilderness areas. As a fisherman and sportsman (not a hunter) I care deeply about the preservation of wilderness and wild areas.

As I mentioned, I am a fisherman and believe that certain high-value areas such as the Great Burn should be preserved and protected to the greatest extent possible. While limiting access would limit my ability to reach fishing areas, I fully support preservation. Roads in these wilderness areas cause significant erosion, litter, dust, loss of vegetation and other environmental damage. Anyone who has seen an area where off-road vehicles are permitted can see the incredible damage caused by these vehicles. There is little or no enforcement of rules, and the noise, dust, and damage to the vegetation is completely contrary to the concept of "wild" or "wilderness".

Access should be restricted to minimal. No new roadways should be constructed. Off-road vehicles should not be permitted.

There are sufficient access areas for winter recreation in other approved locations, it is not necessary nor is it prudent to admit motorized access at any time.

These areas are invaluable spawning areas for Cutthroat Trout, they are fragile and easily damaged by the presence of motorized vehicles of any type. I mentioned erosion, noise, and pollution. These are only a few of the negative impacts that can result.

Protect these areas by managing them as wilderness, limit access and prohibit use of motorized vehicles.

I certainly appreciate efforts to protect wilderness areas in the Northwest and will continue to lend my support. Thank you.