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Comments: My name is Jeff Baker, I was born and raised in Mccall, Idaho. I have recreated in our National Forest my entire life. Since childhood I have spent as much of my time as possible in the woods. From horseback to hiking, fishing, hunting, snowmobiling, skiing, motorcycle riding, trail maintenance and working. Although most of my time is spent in the Payette National Forest I love the Nez Perce-Clearwater just as much. I really enjoy the Red River Ranger District. Amazing country.

In exploring the alternatives that your team has put together I strongly prefer alternative X as described in the DEIS. i prefer and strongly believe that alternative X is the best option for everyone. By excluding RWA's and WRS's we are moving toward more opportunities for local individuals, local businesses and in turn government agencies as well as the Forest, Our land and resources.

By encouraging year round motorized recreation as well as all forms of recreation and forest care. Forest management must be done on the ground. Everyone can be responsible and help protect our forests through education and accessibility. I encourage the Nez Perce- Clearwater and all other forests to avoid road decommissioning and trail decommissioning. I strongly suggest loop opportunities for all travel.

I am not against a special management area for the Great Burn, as long as it provides management direction and preserves historical motorized use in the Goat Lake area, Blacklead Mountain area, Doe Creek area, Deer Creek area and Williams Lake area. Pot Mountain and the Rawhide area should be preserved for snowmobiling as well.

As a lifetime recreation enthusiast as well as a close relative of a lifelong forest management specialist I strongly disagree with closely grouping certain recreation activities together in one area. Particularly if this is to avoid conflict. People can and will get along, through education and communication !! Dispersion is the answer, I believe, to preserving the quality of our forests.

I believe that there is enough Wilderness already. I do not wish to see anymore wilderness. I do support a special management designation that we can all work together on to maintain a healthy and useable forest.

Thank you again Nez Perce - Clearwater NF team, I appreciate your time and hard work and the extended opportunity to comment. Thank you for coming to Mccall, it was helpful to meet your team.

AS a member of CITRA and ISSA I am excited to recreate, explore, enjoy and help maintain trails in the Nez Perce-Clearwater Forest !!!!