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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.

We need to keep the Great Burn as wild as possible. I've been snowmobiling to the edge of the legitimate area for about 30 years so I know there's been innumerable scofflaws breaking the rules, violating the wilderness, harassing the mountain goats, and laughing at the rules. That has to stop.

Please do not increase the motorized access and please enforce the current rules.

I've peak bagged throughout the Great Burn, backcountry skied in some of it, and really enjoyed the quiet solitude when I can get it. I accept the snowmobile noise in the currently allowed areas but think increasing that disruption would be criminal.

I think the entire 151,874 acre Hoodoo Roadless Area should be managed as wilderness.

There is allowed winter motorized access to some of the area the noise from that already propagates well beyond the boundaries. Snow bikes, the motorized kind, are dramatically increasing in popularity and as skills are developed they can and will access terrain previously inaccessible to snowmobiles. Given those communities tend towards scofflaw behavior allowing greater access would simply mean they have more perimeter to violate.

Older and older archaeological sites are being discovered up the Clearwater and Kelly Creek and probably the connected drainages as well. Kelly Creek accesses Hoodoo Pass and that is the most likely transportation corridor to ancient Lake Missoula; protect it.

Keep it wild.

Lots of pressing issues with too little funding but somebody's got to do it - thanks.