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First, the Friends of the Clearwater has apparently submitted a Citizen Alternative, which the Forest Service must analyze in the revision process.

Second, exponentially increased logging is ill advised, especially given the agency's 50-60 mbf annually from these combined Forests. The four management alternatives exceed current levels.

Third, quantitative Forest standards and objectives are thresholds to protect old growth, sensitive soils, riparian areas, water quality and wildlife habitat. Do not decreases these bare bones standards and public accountability.

Fourth, maintain the integrity of the approximately 1.5 million acres of undeveloped wildlands on the Nez Perce-Clearwater; all remaining roadless wildlands should be off limited to road building and logging. These lands are invaluable carbon sinks, not tree farms and must be managed as sequestration opportunities.

Fifth, maintain existing stream buffers to protect some of the best fish and wildlife habitat in the Clearwater Basin-irreplaceable old growth and water quality support for the largest undeveloped watershed complex left in the Lower 48. This complex is home to many rare and imperiled species like bull trout, salmon, steelhead, wolverines, Canada lynx, fisher and grizzly bears. It is the best habitat for large carnivores, including grizzlies, in the US. northern Rockies and southern Canadian Rockies.

Lastly, the standards and objectives of this Forest Plan must be habitat protection measures, not minimized procedures and policies.

Respectfully submitted,