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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.

I am a nature lover, but a realistic one, for I conduct my life with many products harvested from earth. So, when I have an opportunity to protect the land, specifically the wilderness, I do, as I am now.

Please maintain the existing boundaries of the Great Burn (Hoodoo) Recommended Wilderness along with the existing prohibitions of motorized and mechanized recreation. Why? We have a vast and vibrant national heritage, and I like to protect it. To me, that heritage is sacred. The earth has given us so much...so much!! And we have profited greatly! On occasion we need to give back to the earth. For me, this is one of those occasions.

In line with the Montana Wilderness Association (MWA), I ask that you continue to manage the entire 51,874-acre Hoodoo Roadless Area.

Referring back to my belief that we humans should maintain some sacred relationships with wild places, I ask you to prohibit motorized access to the 53,000 acres in the Hoodoo Roadless Area. In no way does this request reflect an anti-snowmobile attitude.

With regard to protecting Cayuse Creek and Kelly Creek, I've never been there, but do know they offer anglers prized adventures.

Many thanks for your consideration of my requests and desire to maintain a sacred relationship to many of the country's wild places, and as of this writing, to the Great Burn (Hoodoo) Recommended Wilderness and Roadless Area.

As a parting thought, fast forward to 2050 when what we can harvest from earth will never meet the demand (too many people and machines to serve!) and the desire to dig into our wild places will be hot and bothered. Also consider that as the earth is hacked away over time, to have protected wilderness in our quiver will be the greatest prize of all for you and anyone else who craves and values connection to a perfectly preserved wilderness.