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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.

As a former employee of the US Forest Service and a native Montanan, I have spent many years of my life benefitting from the state's wild and protected areas. We must work hard to protect the undeveloped areas we have left - for future generations, for wildlife, for the sake of these places themselves. Thank you immensely for your consideration.

I ask you to consider protecting the entire 151,874-acre Hoodoo Roadless Area - and I hope that it continues to be managed as Recommended Wilderness.

I strongly suggest that the Forest Service continue to designate the Hoodoo Roadless Area as non-motorized. There are so many areas open to motorized vehicles, and so few protected for hikers/backpackers, wildlife, and ecosystems to exist without the hum of cars, snowmobiles, ATVs. There is nothing quite like the solace of being deep in the wilderness without the sound of a motor to be heard.

I recommend the forest plan recognize Cayuse Creek and Kelly Creek and all of its forks as Wild and Scenic.

Thank you immensely to the forest planning team for all of your work to keep our public lands lovely! Thank you for your consideration of this and future generations while creating this forest plan.