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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 raised our 2 sons next to wild country. I no longer live there, but know just how vital and critical it is to keep wild country like the Great Burn in tact for future generations. In this broad, open space "untrammelled by man", where "man is a guest" we learn lessons of fortitude, a philosophy of enduring values, and personal dedication to something greater than ourselves. It is our responsibility in the generation of the present to preserve these places for the generations of the future.

I have only touched on the edges of the Great Burn, only entered the periphery, but I have heard the stories and seen the photos of the interior. That it is there is enough.

There is no question - the entire 151,874 acres need to remain in tact and managed. Wilderness designation will come - it must come - as We the People recognize the value for us all.

There are places and spaces where motors should not go. This is one. We must speak for the wild country and all that dwell there, for it has no voice in our legislatures. We must show restraint and wisdom to protect.

I cannot personally comment on the requested wild and scenic designations except to reiterate that, once lost, wild places cannot be regained.

I have spoken my peace. I wish for wisdom and peace and foresightedness of any and all decision makers.

The Forest Service and all other entities need to be commended for their time, their energy, their experience and education, along with their commitment to listen to the people. Thank you.