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Comments: The Wild and Scenic Rivers of Nez Perce and Clearwater National Forest

Dear Plan Revision Email Nez Perce Clearwater National Forests,

I deeply value the clean water, remote character, and wildlife habitat found in Nez Perce and Clearwater National Forest. I am particularly concerned with the management of streams that have been found eligible for Wild and Scenic River designation. All 89 streams that you have found eligible for Wild and Scenic designation should remain protected as eligible in the new forest plan, and I support their management consistent with the Wild and Scenic Rivers act to protect their "outstandingly remarkable values". The draft forest plan and the alternatives are inadequate when it comes to protecting the character of these wild and scenic streams. All of the streams found eligible for Wild and Scenic designation should be managed to protect that character, yet no alternative of the draft plan protects more than 50% of those streams. I, and the majority of the public at large want those streams protected. Wild and Scenic Rivers protect the greatest good, for the greatest number, over the long run. The Forest Service needs to get back to its roots and do just that by protecting all of the eligible streams on Nez Perce and Clearwater National Forest.

Thank you for considering these comments.

Sincerely,
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