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Comments:

I am a former full time, permanent, USFS employee who worked on the Mt Hood and White River NFs as a Wilderness Ranger, Snow Ranger, and head of the Wilderness and Trails program. The value of Wilderness Areas should not be sacrificed for transmountain water diversions. They should be protected and managed for the increase in use that all public lands are experiencing.

I strongly oppose issuing a special use permit and Categorical Exclusion for work that Homestake Partners has proposed.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.