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To Whom It Concerns,

The projected road building in this project adds to an already fragmented region which is crucial to the movements and well-being of grizzlies and lynx. Removing trees and adding roads does not contribute to the forest health of the Swan: there are already enough roads in the area. Forest Plan Amendment 19 requires a reduction of the existing miles of roads to mitigate further impacts on fish and wildlife.

The public deserves an adequate range of alternatives, as determined by NEPA, including the alternative of removing ALL the roads in the project area.

Not divulging the location of planned timber cutting leaves the public in the dark, indirect violation of NEPA. It smacks of a stealth attempt to remove significant trees over the next 15 years with no citizen input. This does not inspire confidence in the agency and feeds a narrative of exploitation of our shared natural resources.