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Comments: This project leaves me feeling despondent to say the least. I am now 19 and studying fish and wildlife at the forestry school at Oregon state university, a lot of things in my life have led up to the career path I seek to live out. When I first began fly fishing, there was a whole world of possibilities and I really didn't know what it would amount to. This river was easily one of the most influential places on who I am today - It's wildness, it's mystery, it's beauty. Ever since I spent time up in those mountains, I have since been seeking the most wild and untouched areas to continue on my journey of fly fishing. It brings me great grief to know that there is the potential for the creatures of this system to be critically threatened possibly extinct, due to nothing but greed. A quote I believe applies to this scenario perfectly is that of Gandhi, "Earth provides enough to satisfy every man's need, but not every man's greed" I want nothing more than my children and my grandkids to have the ability to experience what I did as a young man, for it shaped me into what I feel is the best expression of myself. However if we risk the potential of destroying this watershed entirely, the opportunity may dissolve for it to ever be experienced by future generations. I hope you do read my comment, I hope you understand how personal this is for me, and I hope you relate it to yourselves on a personal level - nature is important to every single one of us, for the well being of our spirit. We must protect it.