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Comments: As someone who has hiked, snowshoed, skied, and thoroughly enjoyed visiting the Twisp River Valley area for over 30 years, I support USFS efforts to restore aquatic and terrestrial habitat in the area. I also feel compelled to comment on several aspects of the proposed Twisp Restoration Project:

1) I suggest breaking this very complex and wide-ranging project into four or five smaller, more manageable projects, all with clearer goals, milestones, and success criteria, as well as explicit monitoring and reporting components. As it stands, this proposal includes a huge area, an unusually long time span, and a dizzying number of components, which all make implementation, monitoring, and reporting problematic.

2) Please put more emphasis on monitoring and reporting outcomes. Saying that no monitoring is needed if efficacy is moderate to high is not an appropriate approach and can lead to a damaging lack of trust and to suboptimal outcomes.

3) Do not allow cutting of large and old growth trees. Mature trees are important to healthy forests and habitat, and admittedly I personally find them to be majestic, invaluable, and worthy of protection. Please follow your 2012 Forest Restoration Strategy and change the project proposal to leave trees over 20" in diameter.

4) Eliminate - or, at least, limit and very carefully consider with ample study and public comment - the addition of roads (including for logging) and additional ATV access. Given that this project is billed as a restoration project, please do not include any proposed actions that have the potential for wildlife disruption, erosion, vegetation destruction, aquatic damage, and other environmental degradation. To do otherwise reduces the credibility and potential success of this restoration project.

5) Allow knowledgeable experts more time to provide science-based responses to the technical aspects of your proposal. While my comments are heartfelt, I would like people and organizations with more expertise and experience in "landscape-scale aquatic and terrestrial restoration projects" to have additional time to investigate and provide comments.

Thank you.