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Comments: I recognize that comprehensive vegetation management has been long needed in the upper Twisp River watershed to improve forest health and reduce wildfire risk. while meeting LSR, Roadless, old growth management. and restoration strategy guidelines. I appreciate the effort made to address these issues. I have briefly identified some suggested improvements.

Given the large size, scope, and duration of the project, the site-specific impacts are not clearly defined. A deeper level of analysis is needed and could be accomplished by:

- 1. Dividing the analysis area into project areas that includes projects that are expected to be implemented within a relatively short timeframe (ie 5-10 years). This would allow more exact descriptions of plans and locations of each proposed activity so that impacts could be more clearly assessed.
- 2. Clearly define the limits that would be applied to "condition-based management" and the monitoring regimes planned to assure that the objectives and limits are met. This could make the potential impacts clearer to assess.
- 3. If the assessment continues at this scale and scope, an EIS should be considered.

I do not see how ATV access is relevant to a restoration proposal. Please remove its consideration from this analysis.

Proposed fuel breaks and other activities should not impinge on the roadless character of the Sawtooth Roadless area

A project of this scope should be well-vetted by the public. Please extend the deadline for input and work closely with the North Central Washington Forest Collaborative in developing the details of this project.

Thank you for your consideration of my suggestions.