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Comments: Please accept these comments on the proposed travel management plan for the Rapid River Wild and Scenic River corridor on the Payette National Forests.

Trails in the Rapid River area offer spectacular views and unique plant life. In the Forest Service's own words "the absence of roads and other development has helped keep this river one of the clearest and cleanest in the area." That is one of the best reasons to keep off-road vehicles off the trail. Rarely does mixing off-road vehicles and hiking trails work out for people who want to enjoy and explore wild country on foot.

History has proven that signage designed to keep off-road vehicles out of areas they are not allowed into does not work. Signs are either ignored or destroyed or torn down and vehicles enter the designated area anyway. Allowing motorized and mechanized use on trails up to the boundary of the Wild and Scenic River corridor is a terrible idea. It needs to be closed to all such use.

Please designate all trails in this special and fragile area as non-motorized.