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Comments: My wife and I are long time Bitterroot Valley residents and love this valley and it's mountains and forests. We hike, camp, hunt, and fish in the forest and love what it offers. Having seen the devastation of forest fires first hand and having experienced "smoke season" my wife and I are firm supporters in active forest management. We are supportive of this project and of prescribed proactive burning, selective logging, landowner partnerships, and ground clearing as we recognize their need for the health of the forest and it's wildlife. While it is important to listen to the opinions of others we hope that ultimately the voices of those who work, play, and live here will carry more weight as the decision to actively manage the forest is made.