Data Submitted (UTC 11): 1/8/2024 9:01:24 PM

First name: Sas Last name: Weber Organization:

Title:

Comments: Thank you for the opportunity to object to the Nez Perce-Clearwater Final Environmental Impact Statement and Draft Final Forest Plan #44089.

I object to the current plan. We cannot afford to give up roadless areas for the pleasure of the people at the cost of wildlife habitat. Roadless areas are too few and too precious.

I live in the Gallatin Valley and hike all over Montana. The importance of native species that rightly flourish in roadless areas cannot be over stated.

I live at the base of the Bridger Mts and have seen first hand how the introduction of roads bring invasive weeds into an area where there were none. I've witnessed the tendency of humans on vehicles to be unaware of the fragility of the habitat, leaving trash and damaged ground in their wake. In my "backyard" in the northwest Bridger Mountains I've witnessed how large predators' hunting habits have been forced to shift because of roads. It is essential that any remaining roadless areas are preserved as such. I feel strongly that all 151,874 acres in the Great Burn roadless area remain roadless to avoid the same fate as the northwest Bridgers are experiencing now.

Thanks for considering my objection.