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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 preferred alternatives proposed management of the Hoodoo Roadless Area and the plan's lack of wildlife standards for wolverines and mountain goats.

The Forest Service should manage the entire Hoodoo Roadless Area (151,874 acres) as Recommended Wilderness. The Hoodoo Roadless Area provides important habitat for many sensitive species, especially near the Stateline, where this plan proposes removing sections of Recommended Wilderness.

Prohibiting winter motorized use in the Great Burn is critically important, as research has found that this use can detrimentally impact wildlife behavior and winter habitat. Additionally, the Forest Service must add binding wildlife standards to the forest plan to ensure species survival into the future.

The public interest is best served by preserving what little remains of unroaded, non-motorized wildlife habitat in the northern Rockies. It is a true shame that the NCNF has abandoned its conservation legacy in order to capitulate to the relatively few citizens demanding to expand motorized intrusions into areas that should be protected by formal Wilderness designation.

They arent making any more Great Burn areas. Protect what remains in order to conserve the health, diversity and productivity of public wild lands for future generations. Please recommend the entire Great Burn Roadless Area for Wilderness designation and prohibit motorized use of the area.

Thank you for considering my objection.